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Parcel Post Service to Canton is temporarily suspended.

The Imperial Airways Service between Hongkong and Bangkok is temporarily suspended. Air mail correspondence will be accepted at the existing rates of postage and will be forwarded by the first opportunity by steamer to Singapore to connect with the east and west bound air services.

An air mail service providing a connection with British Overseas Airways at Rangoon will be available during the period of suspension of the Hongkong-Bangkok Service. The postage rates for all destinations will be \$1.50 per 1/2 oz. for letters and \$0.75 each for postcards. Mail for this service should be superscribed "Via Rangoon" and bear the usual blue air mail label.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service" San Francisco date 18th October. Oct. 31. Australia and Manila (Seattle date, U.S.A. and Manila) (Seattle date, 30th September). Nov. 1. Swatow. Nov. 2. Java and Manila. Nov. 2. London and Straits. Nov. 3.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel-mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 31

Bangkok, Madang, Salamaua, Rabaul and Tulagi. 12.30 p.m.
Salmon. 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and United Kingdom via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only). 3.30 p.m.
Note.—All Mails for United-Kingdom will be forwarded with or without superscription.

K.P.O.

Parcels. Oct. 31, 4 p.m.
Reg. Oct. 31, 5 p.m.
Ord. Oct. 31, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.

Friday, Nov. 1

Parcels only for Canada via Victoria B.C. 9.00 a.m.
Formosa. 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".

K.P.O.

Reg. Nov. 1, 4 p.m.
Ord. Nov. 1, 4.30 p.m.
G.P.O.

Saturday, Nov. 2

Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".

G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Reg. Nov. 2, 9.00 a.m.
Ord. Nov. 2, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., C. and S. America and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada).

K.P.O.

Parcels. Nov. 2, 4 p.m.
Reg. Nov. 2, 5 p.m.
Ord. Nov. 2, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.

Superscribed Correspondence Only.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE

I hereby give notice that I will not be responsible for any debt contracted by my wife Beatriz Natividade Fernandes de Souza. Dated the 28th October, 1940. J. M. X. DE SOUZA.

C. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 4th day of November, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Castle Peak Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing on 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Area	Approx. Value
1	Castle Peak Road, between Peak Road and Street & Tunkin Street, Chung Shu Wan.	about 100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$10,000

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War Workers

Governor Visits Group at Y.M.C.A.

His Excellency the Governor, Lieut.-General E. P. Norton, accompanied by his Aide-de-Camp, Captain S. H. Batty-Smith, visited the B.W.O.F. Working Party at the East-Asian Young Men's Christian Association yesterday. He was welcomed by Mr. H. P. Phillips, who is in charge of the Party, and by Mr. A. W. Ingram, Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. Surgical dressings, roller and triangular bandages, and hospital supplies, as well as knitted comforters, were being made, and His Excellency showed keen interest in the work, chatting informally with each group. The workers of the Club Lusitano have now joined the Y.M.C.A. group, and were well represented yesterday. The dressings are for both local and Home use.

A. R. P. ORDERS

Latest Appointments And Promotions

A. R. P. Orders issued by Wing Commander A. H. B. Steele-Pedley, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

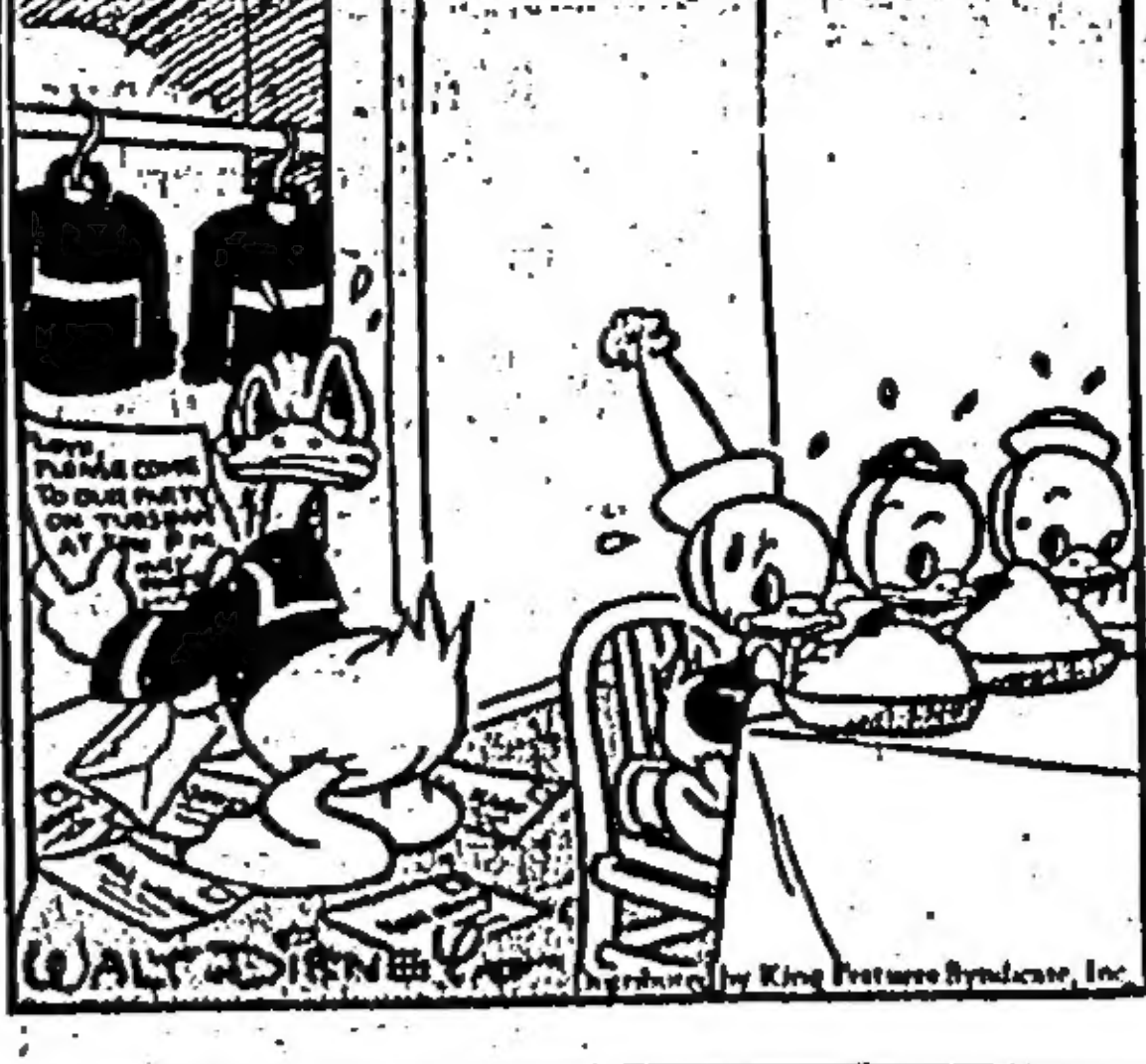
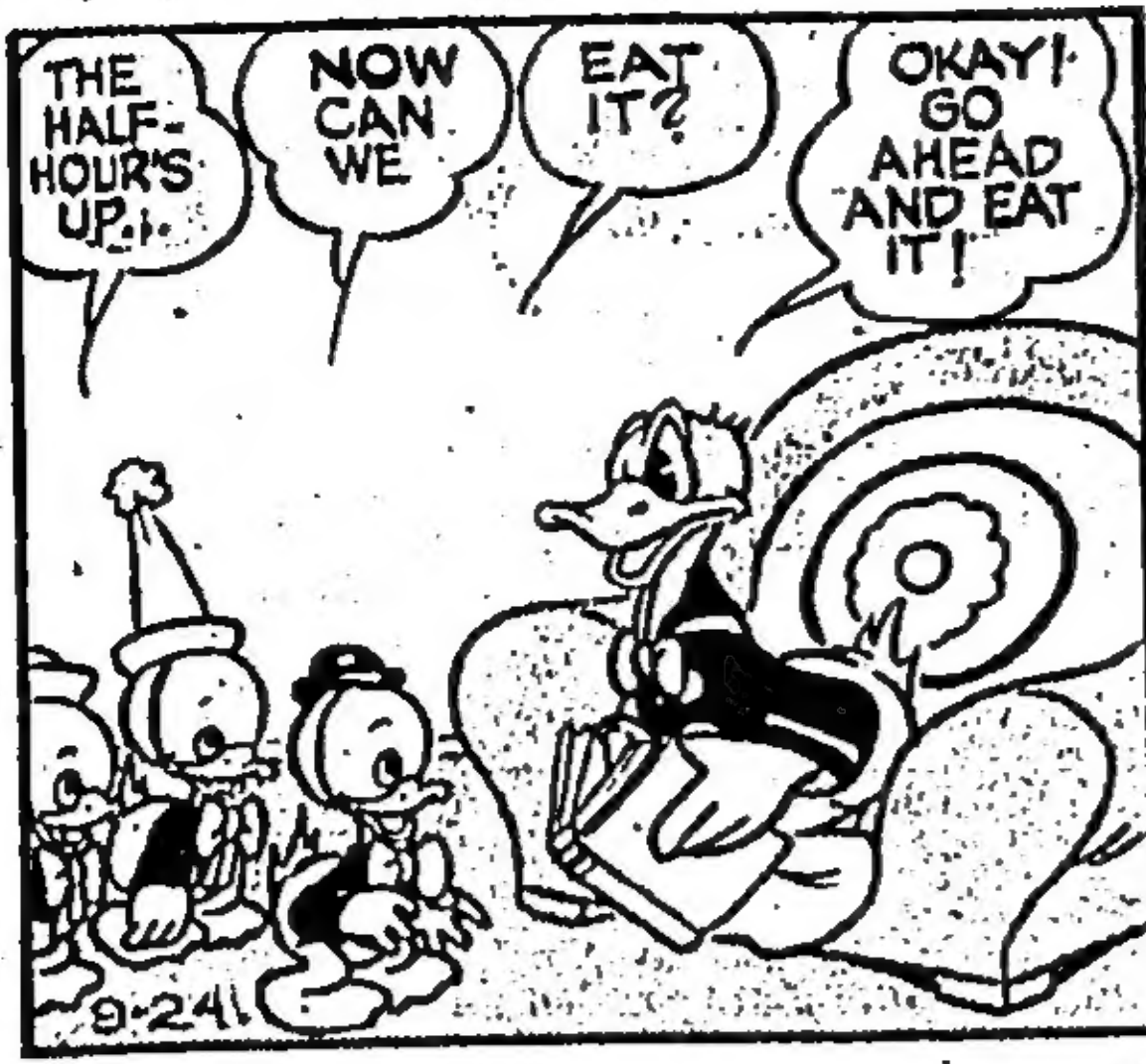
Mobilisation of Wardens

The attention is drawn to Government Proclamation No. 12 of October 29, 1940, whereby all members of the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens, who are on out for active service as from 3 p.m. on that date.

Strength-Increase

The following resignations have been accepted: Upper Levels Division—11034 (T) Ho Sang-keung, 11018 Pui Shu-lun, 11047 Miss Yung Yung-ying, 11058 Miss Yung Shu-ling, 11077 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11078 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11079 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11080 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11081 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11082 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11083 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11084 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11085 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11086 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11087 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11088 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11089 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11090 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11091 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11092 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11093 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11094 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11095 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11096 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11097 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11098 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11099 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11100 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11101 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11102 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11103 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11104 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11105 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11106 Miss Leung Shu-ling, 11107 Miss Leung 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AIRMEN ON GUARD . . .

As an example of smooth, fast-moving efficiency it would be almost impossible to find anything better than an R.A.F. fighter station. Everything works with clock-like precision, but with a precision which cannot be upset by an emergency. Each man knows equally well his normal task and the part he must play if trouble comes, and he does them both without fuss or delay.

A little matter like a German air raid is not allowed to throw sand into the works. Some time before the bombers and their escorts can reach the aerodrome the Spitfires, Hurricanes, or Defiants have gone out to intercept them.

For the ground staffs the only difference is that those who are on duty all take up their action stations; those who are not get under cover so as not to be in the way.

The defences are manned, the fire and ambulance units stand ready, and in an incredibly short time everything and everybody is prepared for whatever is to come.

Most times our fighters and anti-aircraft units turn the raiders back before they reach the aerodrome, but if some get through they find everything prepared for their reception, if not for their comfort.

And a few moments after the "all clear" has sounded the station reverts to normal. It is difficult to believe that the raid has happened.

A day or so ago I visited an aerodrome which had just withstood a determined attack by a strong force of Junkers. Thanks to the accuracy of the station's light anti-aircraft guns and the virulence of our fighters as they charged into the enemy who were threatening their "home," most of the bombs had been dropped rather too quickly to permit of accurate aim.

Many of the incendiaries had burned themselves out in adjoining fields. A few high explosive bombs had bored great holes in the roads and lanes outside. Soon after squads of men were searching the neighbourhood for unexploded bombs.

Back to Normal

The sentries stood at their sand-bagged posts examining the passes of visitors. In the operations room signals were being exchanged with Fighter Command. In the maintenance shop the men had taken up their overhaul of engines where they left it when the raid interrupted it.

The interrogation officer was waiting for a call to German prisoners who had baled out of their wrecked bombers. The administrative staff were bringing the squadron's record up to date and agreeing that "Smithy" ought soon to be getting a D.F.C.

The gun crews were relaxing in their dug-outs, having already got the ammunition ready for the next call to action. In his long stone-built hut the young sergeant was continuing his expert folding of parachutes.

Two attractive young W.A.F. officers, with a dog at their feet, had resumed their books in the sunshine streaming down on the lawn. Lorries and vans came and went, bringing stores and spare parts.

The cooks were hurrying over their preparations for lunch, cursing the Germans because the meal might be a bit late. In the dispensary the reserve pilots of "A" flight were lounging on beds, reading newspapers and magazines while they waited for their turn to take off.

Every few minutes a Hurricane came down to have its guns and

petrol tanks recharged and then took off for another crack at the enemy. Life was back to its wartime normal.

If one has visited one fighter station one knows them all. They differ only in unimportant details. There is always the same atmosphere of quiet, unstrained alertness; the same orderly appearance which speaks of unsleeping readiness for action.

Fighter stations are the main striking force of a carefully worked out defensive system. They are linked by a fast means of communication to Fighter Command, which directs the operations. The fighter organisation works closely with the Observer Corps, the anti-aircraft batteries, and, at night, with the searchlight units.

Much of the machinery for dealing with raiders is secret and must not be talked or written about, but those who have been privileged to "go behind the scenes" know that it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of the proverbial needle than for an enemy aircraft to escape detection when it attempts to raid this country.

On Patrol

Every day and every night Coastal Command and Fighter Command aircraft carry out defensive patrols. Delicate mechanical "ears" listen for the sound of approaching aircraft and flash the news back to the fighters and the ground defences.

Spitfires and Hurricanes are stationed at strategic points where they are ready at a moment's notice to take on invading aircraft, whatever their numbers. Thanks to radio and other means, they always know where to look for the enemy. In daylight the fighters can usually find them unaided without great difficulty, but on cloudy days they are often guided by the grey-black bursts of anti-aircraft shells.

At night it is very much more difficult, but the searchlights often give them valuable help. Frequently, when the weather is kind to them, the bombers cannot be picked up before they have dropped their bombs, but a proportion meet their fate when they are trying to get home.

By their great defence of this country and because of the definite superiority which they have demonstrated over the Germans, the deeds of the R.A.F. fighters are known throughout the world.

Our pilots have played their part magnificently and thoroughly deserve all the tributes which have been paid them, but our gratitude to these few to whom so many owe so much should not allow us to forget the brilliance of the men who designed the aircraft, the engines, the guns, the skill of the craftsmen who build them, and the devotion of the maintenance staffs who keep them at such a high degree of perfection.

The British Spitfires and Hurricanes are the best fighter aircraft in the world. Our designers will no doubt improve on them, but no type yet produced in any country can compete successfully with them. That they maintain their high performance is due, first, to the skill and accuracy embodied in the construction, and, secondly, to the almost loving care of the R.A.F. maintenance.

These men take a personal interest in the overhauling of the aircraft. It is not just a job of work to be started and finished. They often put in hours of their leisure time to remedy a small defect which might reduce full efficiency and fighting power. As they listen to the roaring of the powerful engines, their attuned ears detect the faintest wrong

note, and no effort is too great to put it right.

A Hard Life

The R.A.F. fighter pilot has a hard life. Like Mr. Micawber, he spends a great deal of his time waiting for something to turn up. Every time the call for action comes he is going out to fight for his life, usually against numerically superior forces.

But he laughs at the popular belief that this daily life-and-death struggle imposes an unbearable strain on his nerves. He has complete confidence in his machine and the assurance of past victories that he can outmanoeuvre his adversary. He is not going out to fight for his life but to make the enemy fight desperately for his own.

A fighter pilot has a specialised training. He learns the art of air combat from A to Z before he goes into action. By the time he joins an operational squadron he is an experienced flyer, well versed in tactics; and, in the air, man and machine are harmoniously merged into one. The actual guiding of the aeroplane is subconscious, leaving the pilot's mind free to deal with the business of how best to destroy the enemy.

In these days of constant enemy raids the R.A.F. fighter pilot "sleeps on the job." He lives in a big wooden building on the aerodrome known as the dispersal hut. If it is his flight's or squadron's turn for the early duty he is ready for immediate action more than an hour before dawn.

With his life-belt (famously known as a "Mae West") fitting snugly over his shoulders, he will be in the air a few minutes after the first warning of the enemy's approach. Someone stands by the telephone in the hut. Sooner or later it will ring and the duty officer in the operations room will give the message that, let us say, 30 German bombers and 40 fighters are approaching London from the south-east, flying at 18,000 ft.

The warning has also been heard in the servicing cockpits, and, by the time the pilots have dashed out, the already warmed engines are running smoothly and the Spitfires or Hurricanes are ready to move off together.

As they take the air they receive, through their radio, the latest location of the enemy, and in a moment or two they are out in a moment of the enemy's return. No time must be wasted over the refuelling or rearming.

Seconds are precious, and as soon as the guns have been given their new stock of ammunition and the fuel tanks have been refilled the machines will be off again.

HOME GUARDS LEARN JU-JITSU

The tasks of a British Home Guard are numerous and varied. His training aims at making him proficient in them all.

It is a liberal and catholic education. He is taught cunning in observation, the principles of defence of town and countryside. He is trained to organise observation posts and to co-operate in the collection and distribution of information in his district.

He learns how to prepare verbal, written or telephoned reports. He is carefully taught to distinguish between British and German aircraft. He is given special instructions as to how to deal with parachutists. He is also taught to attack and destroy tanks and their crews.

He is instructed in the use of cover and is trained to be a sentry. He studies how he can be of assistance to the local military force, police,



The Attack

In the air the pilots can speak to each other through their radio-telephones. As soon as the enemy is sighted the squadron leader or flight commander gives directions for the attack.

Another squadron may already be tackling the Messerschmitt escort. All right, they will go for the bombers. Once in the dog-fight there is no time and no need for orders. Each man selects the most convenient opponent.

He knows the enemy's most vital spot, gets it carefully in his sights, and presses the button which releases a hail of bullets simultaneously from his eight guns.

If he disposes of his adversary quickly, he takes a rapid look round, sees a colleague struggling against heavy odds, and goes to the rescue, or he spots a bomber

which has been forced away from the formation, and gives chase.

When the remains of the enemy formation have been chased over the Channel the squadron returns to its station and the pilots give the intelligence officer an accurate and unembellished account of the battle. Then they go back to their hut to wait for the next summons.

If none comes by the time their spell of duty is up, they go into reserve. The orders say that they must then be ready to take off within 30 minutes of receiving the signal. The pilots regard it as a "bad show" if they are not off in 10.

So keen are these fighter men that very often a pilot, who is supposed to be having 24 hours' leave takes off with the others. This is the spirit which is beating Germany—a spirit which will not falter so long as there are enemies to be chased away from British soil.

A.R.P., balloonist, searchlight, or other Home Guard posts or units.

These, though exceedingly important, are secondary accomplishments to be acquired in the Home Guard's education; he must primarily be a good shot. He is given a thorough grounding in musketry. He is taught to shoot.

Home Guards are not only trained to kill Germans with rifles. They are taught the use of other small arm weapons and how to throw hand grenades.

Next to learning how to destroy Germans, the Home Guard's most important lesson is in the acquiring and conveying of information. Men are taught to make and check reports so scrupulously that false alarms are discovered with the utmost speed and real alarms given at the earliest possible moment.

A most important task that falls to the lot of the Home Guard is the building of obstacles to hinder the invader. Home Guards are taught to choose the best strategic

point for the building of road blocks, what these should be made of, and how they should be guarded by covering fire.

As every unit of the Home Guard must be regarded not as a collection of undisciplined volunteers, but as an organised whole, every man is trained in Army drill until he attains great proficiency.

A high standard of physical fitness is expected and obtained. Many members of the Home Guard have been trained by Staff Instructors from the School of Physical Training.

They learn how to fight effectively in hand-to-hand combat and when restrictions of space do not permit the use of arms, to protagonists. They are taught, for example, how to use the tin hat as weapon of offence and as shield.

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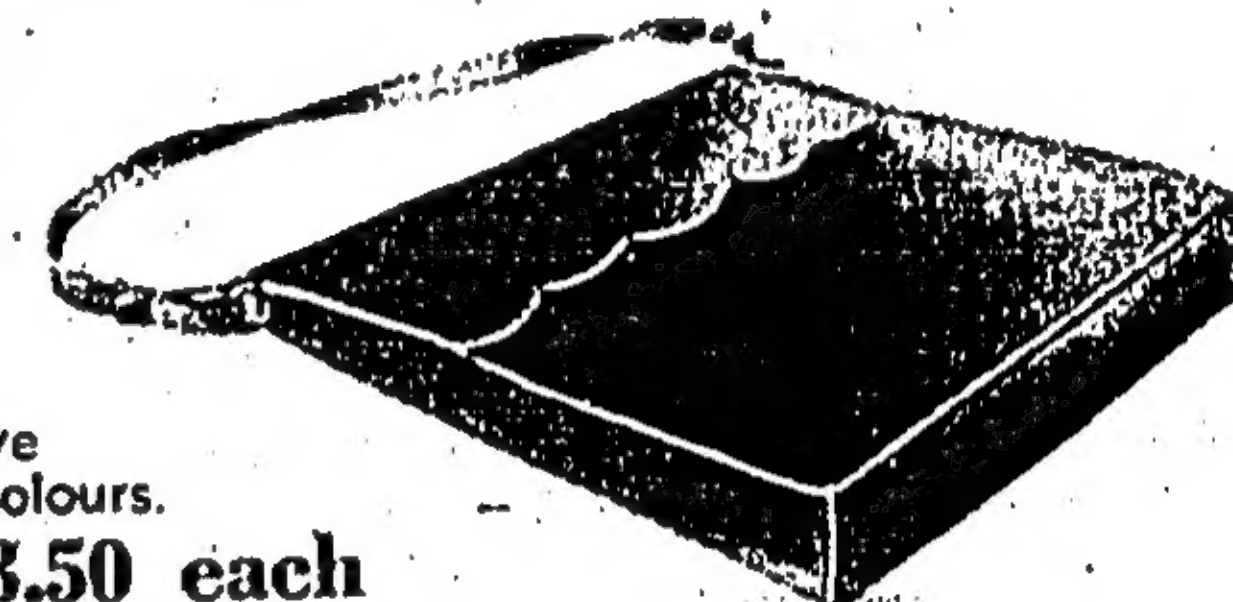
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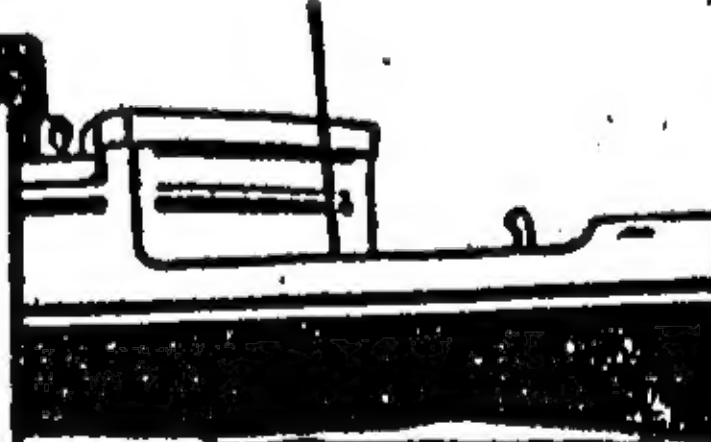
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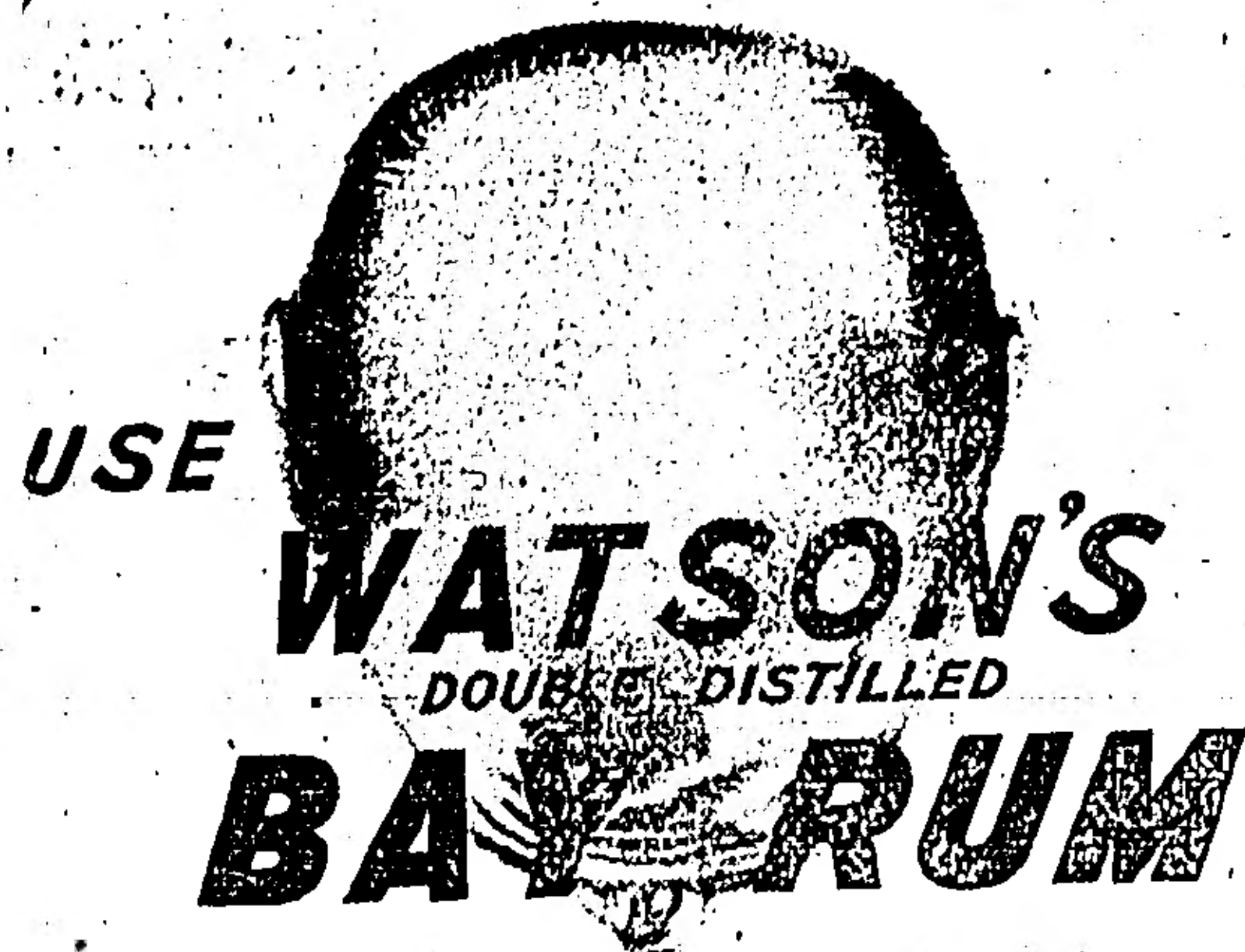
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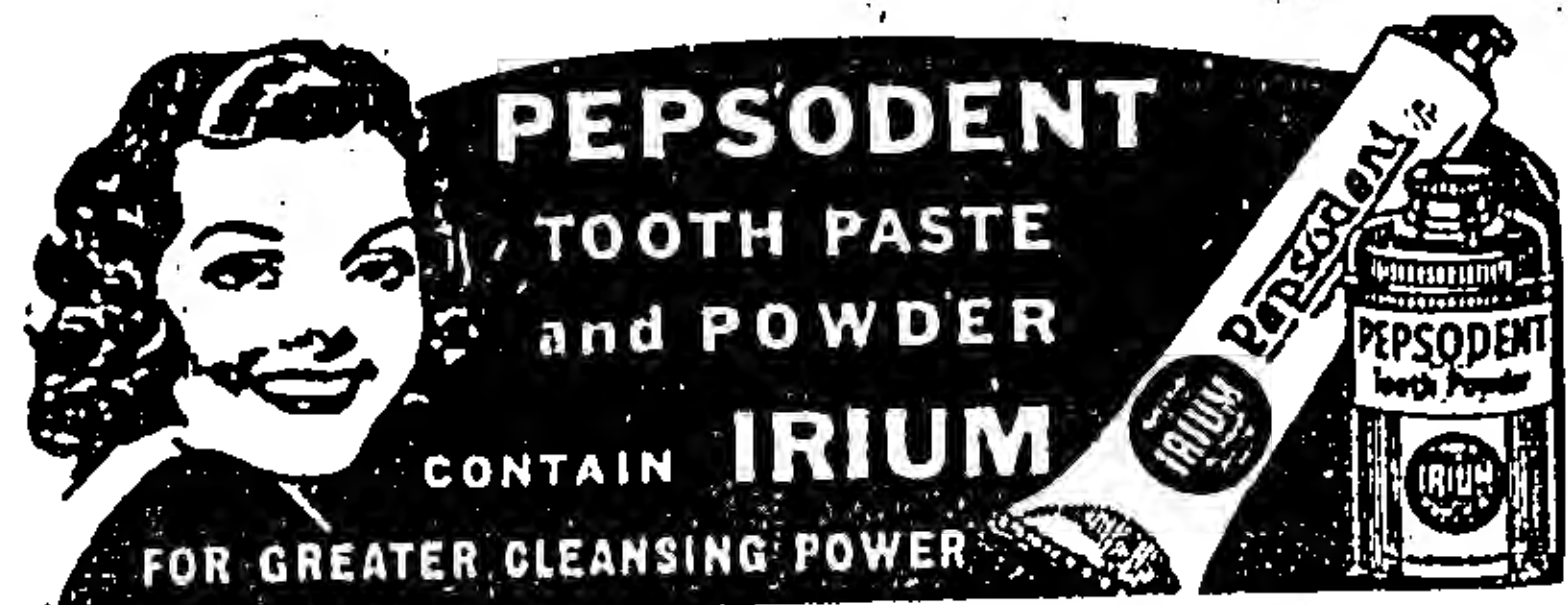
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SIGNS OF THE TIMES

USUALLY so quick to repudiate any foreign press report likely to embarrass or compromise Japan's Far Eastern manoeuvres, the studied indifference with which the Japanese Foreign Office has treated the report this week that Japan was reorientating her "New order in East Asia" policy to an extent which included withdrawal from the Axis alliance, leaves only a firmer conviction that the story is closely allied to facts.

The rumblings of discontent within over the costly China Incident have long been audible to the outside world despite rigorous efforts to suppress them; the complaints come not so much from the mute and pliant masses who have so willingly become cannon fodder and made such big sacrifices in what appears to be a lost cause, but from financial, industrial and political leaders who realise that they are playing a losing gamble.

The changed attitude of Britain and the United States towards Japan's Far East machinations has, undoubtedly, contributed towards persuading Japan to modify her grandiloquent strutting in the Orient, but the signs are that the most potent factor has been the comparative failure of her war machine in China. Tokyo's new attempts to reach peace terms with Chungking are not prompted by a desire to avoid further aggravation of the United States and Britain, so much as a tacit admission that her people are war weary and the country's resources are getting low. Japan's apologists will find it hard to delude the Japanese people about the withdrawal from Nanning, especially as the city fell into the hands of the Chinese within 24 hours; the answer is patently clear.

The sudden cessation of the Japanese advance along the north Indo-China frontier; the half-hearted attempts to prevent the Burma Road from being re-opened; the repudiation of Wang Ching-wei, and the recall of General Abe. All these are patterned events and all lead to one verdict: that Japan is utterly tired of the quality of her adventures in China; that she cannot face the prospect of interminable hostilities which are draining her economic and financial resources in a planning manner, and that the sooner she can cut her losses, the better for her.

France To-day is a Dulled Indifferent Nation

A problem for all who think about it is how to explain the amazing mental attitude which seems to prevail to-day in France. Most Frenchmen seem to regard the total collapse of their country with a resignation that has the appearance of indifference.

They are, indeed, dazed by the rapidity of the collapse, but register no violent reaction to so great and unexpected a shock.

Soldiers in considerable numbers are being demobilised and returning home, and so, it is felt, the catastrophe cannot be too appalling. The German propaganda machine is working on this state of mind.

The R.A.F. attacks upon the aerodromes in the occupied region are used as evidence that the British, who have already deserted their Ally, are now making direct onslaughts on the Frenchman's home.

There is little interest among the ordinary people in the manoeuvres of the Petain Government. The Marshal himself is not looked upon with any enthusiasm. His achievements as a soldier in the last War are generally recognised, but his last-minute entry into politics makes little stir in the Frenchman's heart.

On the other hand Laval, who has never been popular, excites almost general distaste. It would appear that Doriot is the only public figure who inspires any confidence at the moment, and that is because he is thought to be a man of the people.

Few realise that it is Abetz, a man who was asked to leave France only a year ago for his anti-French activities, who now rules France. His orders are given at the frequent dinners which he enjoys with Laval in Paris, dinners which are matters of public comment and the objects of which little effort is made to conceal.

Vichy, for a nation which has reached the nadir in its history, gives an excellent picture of a certain French state of mind. Naturally the place is crowded beyond capacity. It is full of well-to-do refugees from occupied France, as well as French officers, immaculately accoutred, and political aspirants.

They crowd the cafes, hotels, and boulevards. The refugees and officers are enjoying the calm and the mild pleasures to be had there. The aspirants are busily fishing in the stirring political pool in the hope of finding an agreeable job.

There is adequate food for those who can afford to buy it, always provided that you are not a butter lover or do not expect to find a wide selection of luxuries in the shops.

Here is little evidence that France has suffered one of the greatest defeats in her history.

Outside the boundaries of this temporary capital food is not plentiful, yet in a minor degree the same spirit of indifference exists. The men are returning fairly quickly which have been in many cases ruined by inattention. But it is hard to discover any serious attempt to meet the formidable problems which are threatening the Vichy Government.

The opinion is often expressed that occupied France is in a much better shape, in spite of all the devastation.

Next to the ill-fated decision to move south of the Great Wall, the biggest blunder Japan committed during the past ten years was to sign on with the Axis. There are indications that she now realises this, and she has committed technically though she is to render military and other aid to Italy, Japan is doing her utmost to wriggle out of the obligation.

There is talk of "escape clauses" and "advice" to the Government to "take into account the objectives of the war" as well as the objectives of the Japanese. It is a little hard to see how Japan has assumed a new respect for British diplomacy. The truth is Japan has got herself into a jam and she is about to try and extricate herself as best she can. It is a wise decision, if belated.

than the unoccupied territory. The Germans for many reasons are trying to whip into shape that part of the country which has fallen into their sphere of influence.

Their problem is especially serious. North of Paris there exists a desert. Towns like Abbeville, Amiens, Cambrai, Arras, and scores of others are very largely destroyed, though in most places the churches and the cathedrals seem to be intact.

The villages are deserted, the farmsteads empty. Crops are rotting on the ground. The first wave of the German Army consumed everything. It was, in fact, within a week or two ago a land of the dead, metaphorically and literally, since the corpses of men and animals still littered the ground.

Now the people are slowly creeping back, only to find that there is little to eat and less to do. Everywhere the first pick of what is going falls to the army of occupation, the second to those who work for their German masters, the scanty crumbs that remain are left for those who fulfil neither of these conditions.

Backing the Mark

Nevertheless some attempt is made to regulate on a fixed scale the inadequate amount of consumable goods which are available. There is no lack of cash-marks printed by the presses follow the troops.

These naturally are in the hands of the German soldiers and the folk who work for them, but they result in ready sales for anything on offer. The Germans have instituted a sort of Douglas social credit scheme upon which they base their mark-note issue. The backing for this spurious currency is said to be not the counterfeit capitalist backing of gold but the more solidly founded reserve of work done.

As a temporary measure it may be all very fine, but marks printed, even with such a basis, cannot produce the food and necessities of life which simply are not there. The gloomy weeks.

Nor are the German Flying Corps adverse from going home to enjoy the laurels of their stupendous triumphs. This belief in their own superior of darkness, rain, snow, heavy clouds or fog, meant that there would be no bombing. To-day, what with blind-flying instruments, directional wireless, reliable motors, parachutes, floating jackets and rubber dinghies, air crews will take risks which they would not have taken even five or 10 years ago.

We are now approaching the period when we are not likely to get what is normally regarded as good bombing weather.

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And recently, while there was a short spell of electrical storms, with hail and ice-forming clouds high up, the R.A.F. bombers went on with their jobs, apologetically bringing their bombs home once in a while because they could not find their allotted targets. (One would think that any good railway line was a legitimate military objective.)

But until lately the Germans have not shown any fondness for bombing in bad weather—which is curious, because there were no better bad-weather flyers than the Luft Hansa airline pilots before the war. The 10 o'clock night mail left Croydon for Berlin without fail for years, hail, rain, snow or fog.

We have yet to see whether the enemy will give up all pretence of bombing war targets and will take to indiscriminate plastering of thickly-inhabited areas through heavy clouds and bad weather in the hope of creating panic among the populace. There is little chance of panic if the Government will be frank with the people and let them know what is happening—so far as it can be done without telling the enemy too much.

The finding of enemy bombers at night remains one of the great problems of our war.

Moonlight, while helping bombers to find their targets, may confuse the fighters, and it is probable that a bright starlight night without a moon gives the best chance of cooperation between searchlights, fighters and guns.

Sometimes, with luck, searchlights searching through misty thin clouds may show up an enemy bomber in silhouette to fighters above. But if the clouds are thick the bombers may remain in or above the clouds and are difficult to find.

The best way to stop them is like collecting taxes—attack them at source.

The virulent attacks which the Gignole of Marseilles maintains daily against England are certainly not entirely spontaneous. A similar trend is observed in most of the French press. It may not have any great effect upon the feelings of the ordinary people, but it does offer an excuse for official hostility to the British.

While individual pilots would ex-press admiration for British R.A.F. fighting qualities, the squadron as a whole believed implicitly in the Ger-

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"Have you that one a size larger?"

Armoured Fighters

By C. C. GREY

During the intense battles of recent weeks our fighters have maintained their mastery of the air.

On some days the proportion of shot-down raiders to our shot-down fighters has not been so high as in the past. That may be because the Germans have become more wary and have learned how to dodge our men. Or it may be that they have fitted better armour behind their fighter pilots.

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Thoughts On England

The unexpected delay in the much advertised attack upon England has also been having its effect upon the German Air Force.

A neutral observer who was prior to the attack upon England was asked to have a squadron parked in the woods near his home, and who to discover any serious attempt to meet the formidable problems which are threatening the Vichy Government.

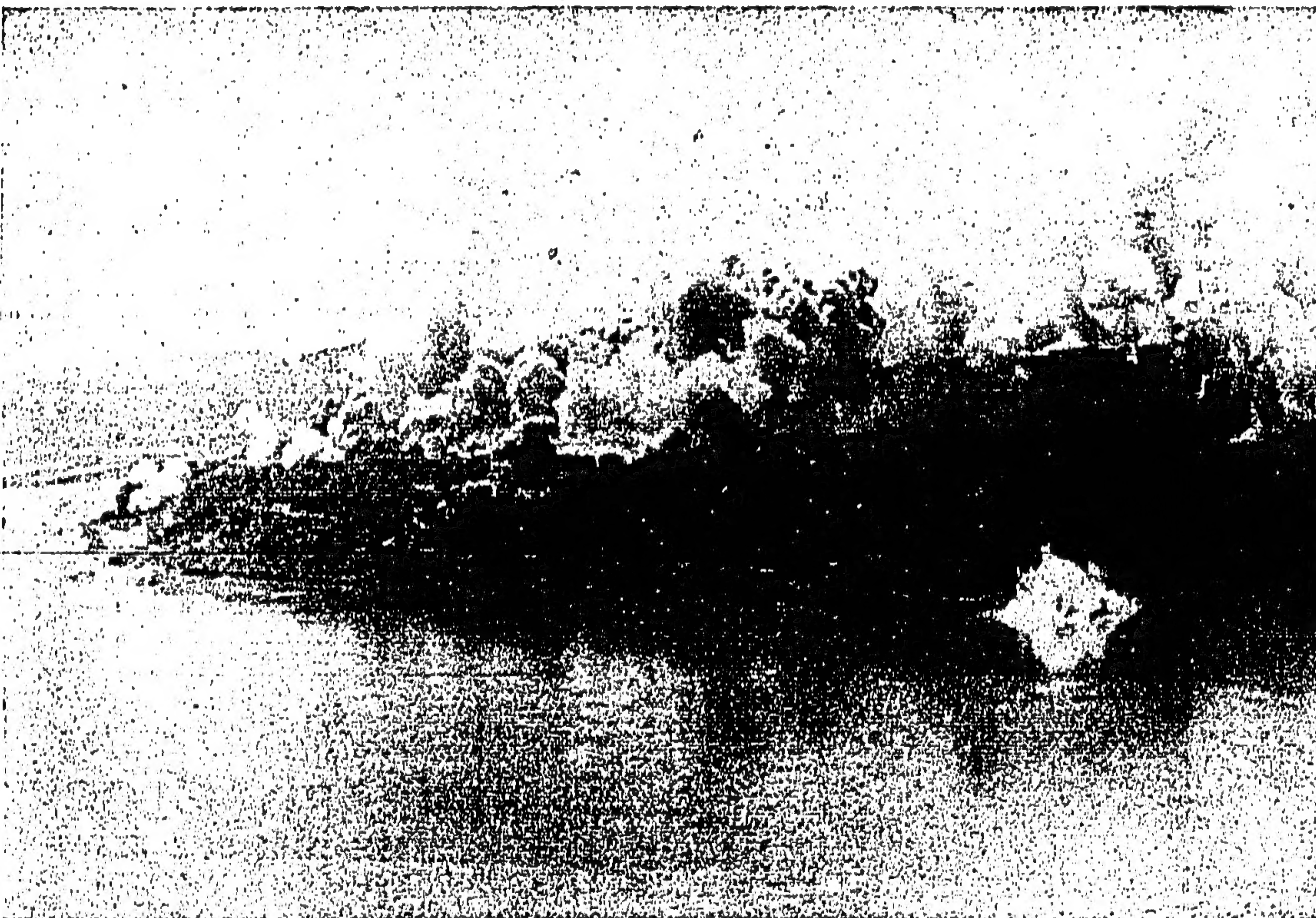
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Next to the ill-fated decision to move south of the Great Wall, the biggest blunder Japan committed during the past ten years was to sign on with the Axis. There are indications that she now realises this, and she has committed technically though she is to render military and other aid to Italy, Japan is doing her utmost to wriggle out of the obligation.

There is talk of "escape clauses" and "advice" to the Government to "take into account the objectives of the war" as well as the objectives of the Japanese. It is a little hard to see how Japan has assumed a new respect for British diplomacy. The truth is Japan has got herself into a jam and she is about to try and extricate herself as best she can. It is a wise decision, if belated.

While individual pilots would express admiration for British R.A.F. fighting qualities, the squadron as a whole believed implicitly in the Ger-

BOMBING OF CHUNGKING: VIVID PICTURES



This Is What Direct Hits Look Like

If you have any doubt what an air raid on a congested area looks like, these accompanying pictures will provide the answer. These are probably among the most vivid pictures ever taken of raids on Chungking, the Chinese capital. They were secured at great risk to the photographer who was under direct fire at the time. The effect of dozens of incendiary bombs is shown in the billowing smoke; they all fell in closely congested residential areas right down to the river's edge, where, as can be seen in the picture opposite, they also landed in the water sending up huge fountains.

Commander Goes Down With Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 30 (UP).—The Admiralty announced that casualties on the French patrol vessel Chasseur 08 which was recently sunk included the Commanding Officer, Lieutenant W. B. G. Galbraith.

were scored by S. A. Fowler and D. Smith.

KHALSA ATTACK

KHALSA retaliated strongly in the closing minutes of the game, but could make no headway against a strong Club defence in which W. A. Reed, at centre half, played well as did N. Whitley at left half. Thompson, playing the one-back game, gave a good account of himself. The combination among the forwards, S. A. Fowler, T. Whitley and E. Fowler, was a marked improvement on the previous week's performance. The Khalsa attack was all at sea without G. Singh and Awtar Singh, and although Pyara Singh made several attempts at breaking through he found the Club pivot too big an obstacle. The halves worked hard but here again Mohinder Singh was badly missed at left half. The game was played at a fast pace but terminated earlier than usual owing to the black-out.

Club Defeat Weak Khalsa XI

Last Tuesday, Club, fielding only ten men, defeated a weak Khalsa team on their home ground at King's Park by 3-0.

In the early stages of the game the visitors, led by Pyara Singh, were dangerous when they broke away and gave the home defence some awkward moments, but Benwell in goal rose to the occasion and saved brilliantly two "certainities" from the Indian leader.

Club in turn took up the attack, forcing three short corners in succession, B. Fowler finding the net in the third attempt. Club kept the lead when sides were changed.

The home attack pressed hard during the second half and further goals

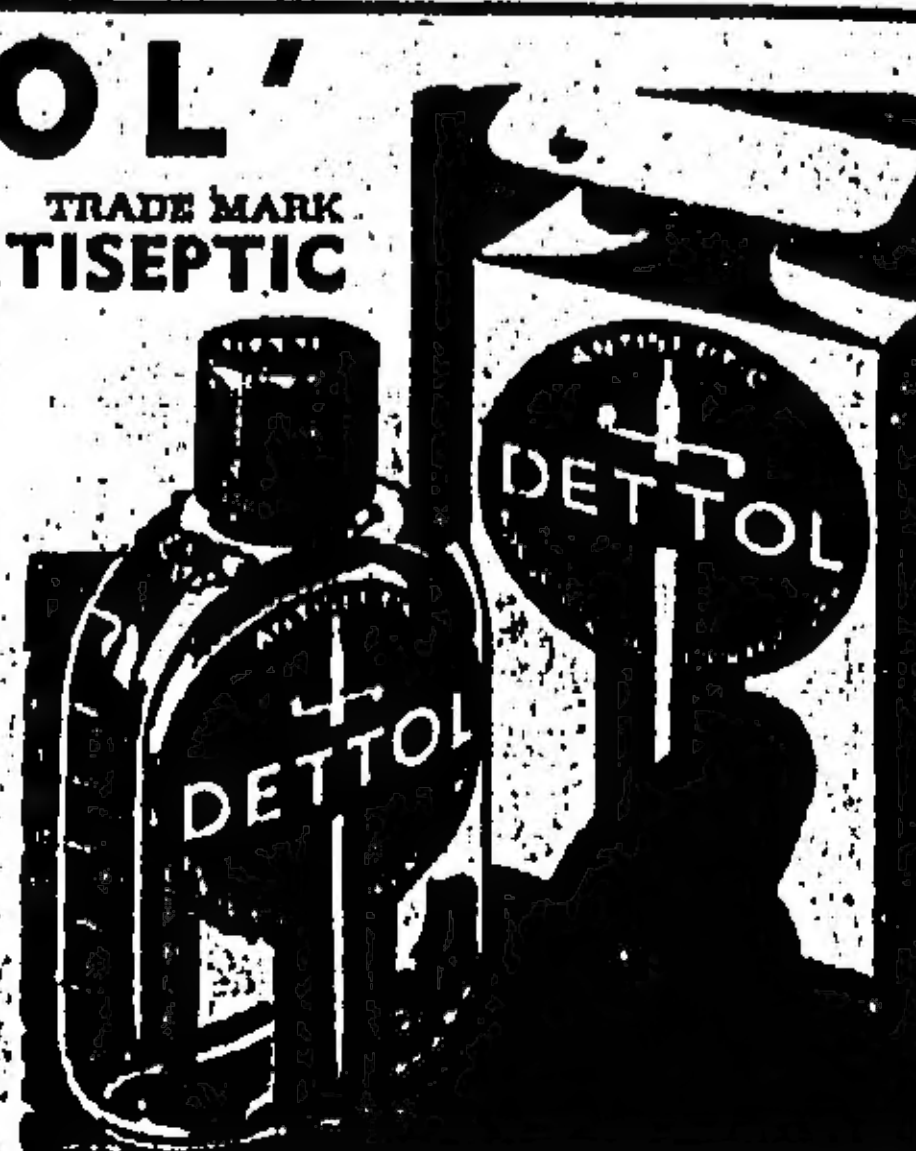
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GARBO TO BECOME AMERICAN CITIZEN

Hollywood, Oct. 29. Greta Garbo, the screen star, has applied for her first American citizenship papers. She gave her age as 38.—United Press.

revolutionary forces threatening civilization.

If they rearm fast enough America would keep out of war, he said. There could be no more harmful step from the British viewpoint than an American declaration of war,

Kennedy Stands By Roosevelt

New York, Oct. 30.

The American Ambassador to Britain, Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, in a broadcast to-day, strongly supported President Roosevelt's candidacy and insisted that America must and will keep out of the war. He declared that oceans alone were inadequate barriers against the

Spain Will Probably Remain Out Of Fight

MADRID, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—That General Franco will not be disappointed in his known desire to keep Spain out of war remains the prevailing sentiment in well-informed quarters.

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—The Victory of India's war purpose fund, which is raised entirely from voluntary contributions, now totals £1,500,000.



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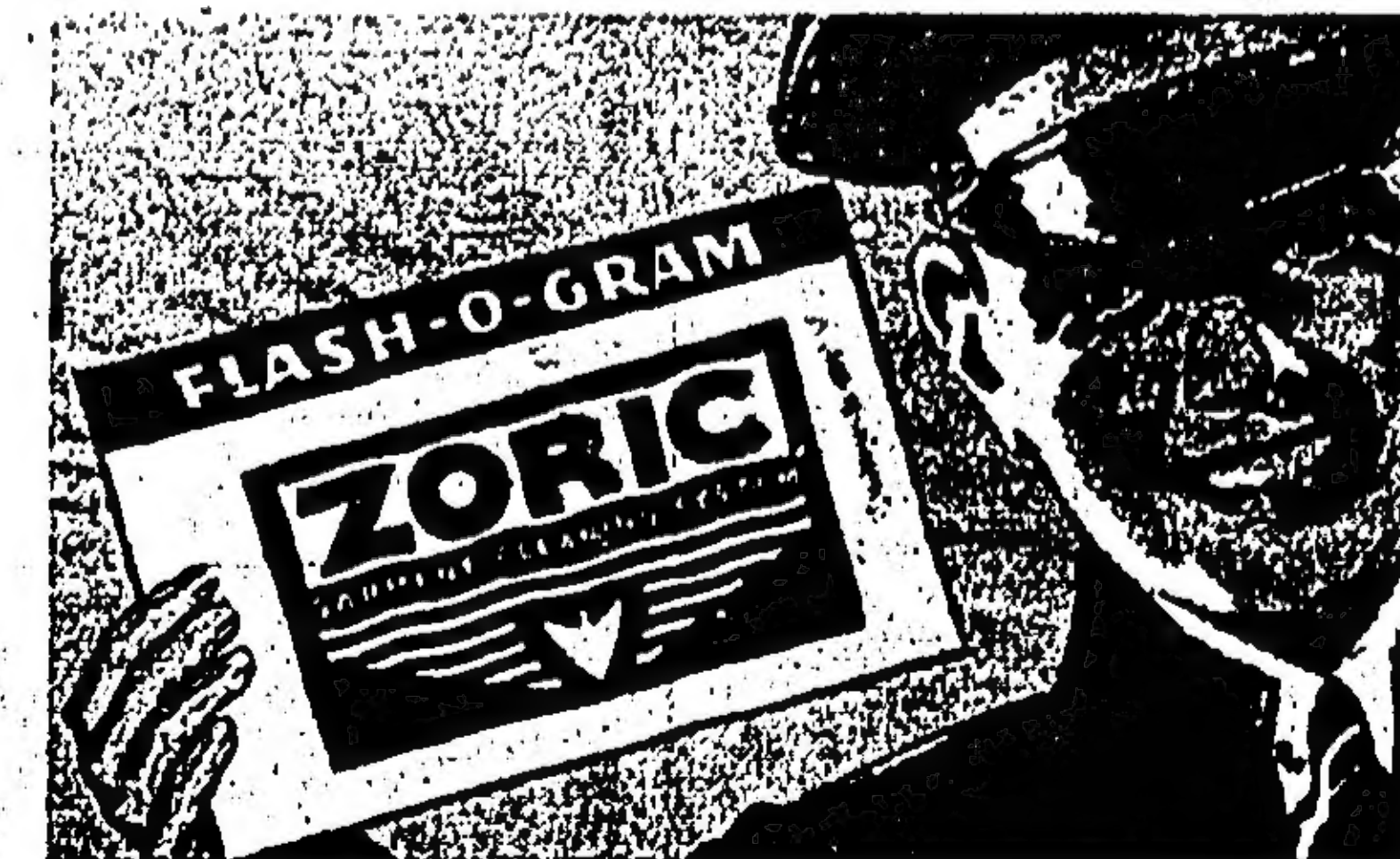
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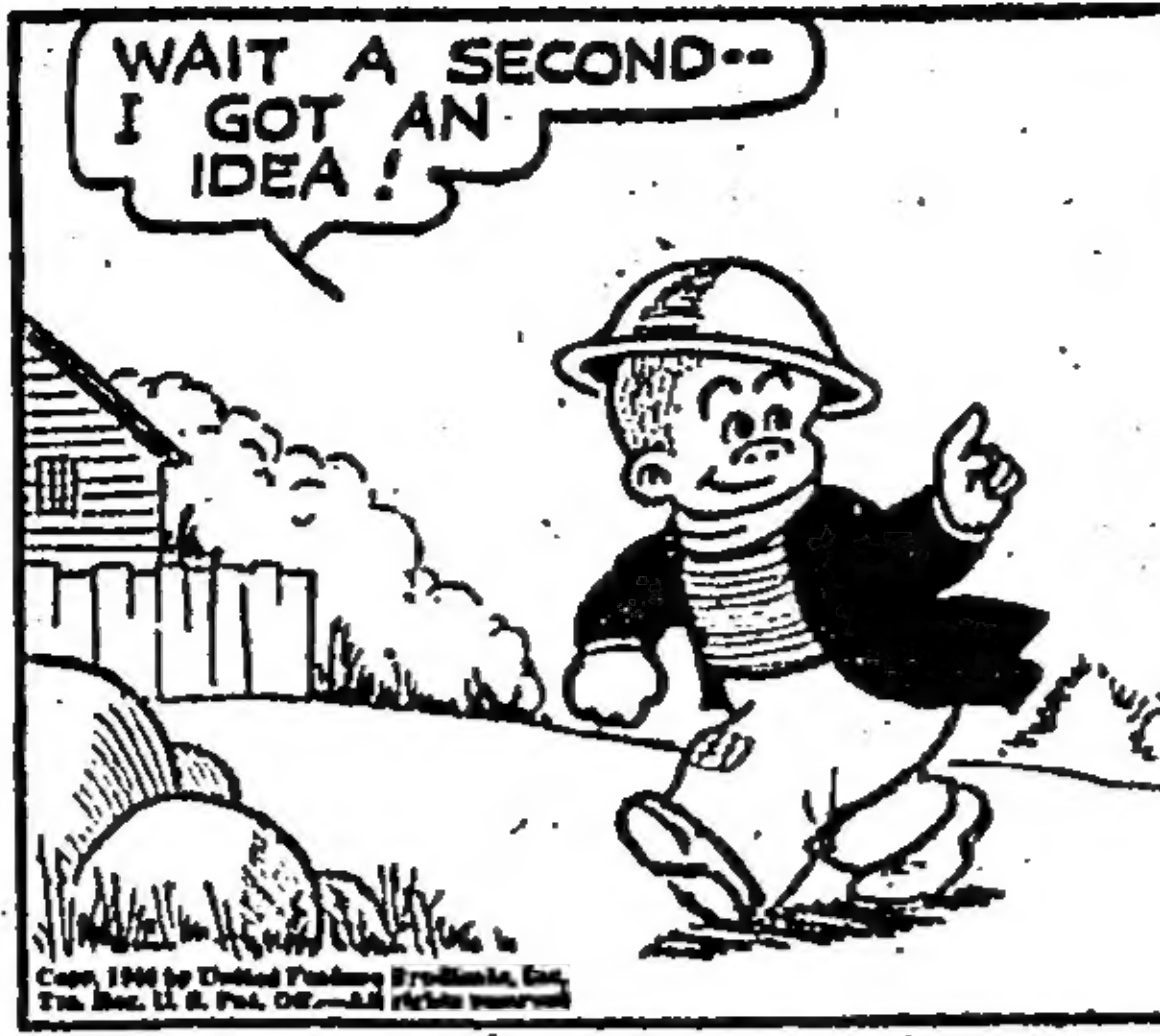
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MACAO SHOOTING
Medical Opinions
In Trial

Macao, Oct. 29. The case in which Mr. Fernando Rodrigues is charged with the attempted murder of Dr. Gustavo Nolasco was continued to-day before a crowded court. The case has taken precedence over all other matters in the public interest, and its developments are followed keenly.

Among the witnesses heard were Mr. Jose Nolasco da Silva, who were close to the scene where Dr. Nolasco was shot and injured. In the course of the hearing it was established that Mr. Rodrigues did not proceed to the place with the express intention of meeting Dr. Nolasco, but had gone there on business with Dr. Vilfranco, on meeting Dr. Nolasco, as he left his car, and following heated words and a scuffle, defendant had fired, as previously reported.

Captain Libanio Gomes was also called, and gave it as his opinion that Mr. Rodrigues was not a peaceable citizen, while Mr. Carlos Vasconcellos said that his dealings with Mr. Rodrigues did not reveal that defendant was particularly aggressive.

Dr. Varguis Moniz was of opinion that Mr. Rodrigues would not be perfectly normal, and possibly lost all sense of proportion at certain times. He admitted, under cross examination, that he believed Mr. Rodrigues would know that he was doing wrong while in a temper, but still he would not hold him entirely responsible.

Dr. Carlos de Mello Leitao said that he considered Mr. Rodrigues was easily angered, and he felt sure that he had no intention of killing Dr. Nolasco, though he believed Mr. Rodrigues would know that he was doing wrong while in a temper, but still he would not hold him entirely responsible.

Dr. Cassiano Fonseca, as a physician, said that he did not believe Mr. Rodrigues was quite normal, and very likely did certain things not of his own volition. He felt inclined to classify him as a sick man.

Dr. Gomes dos Santos also gave his opinion as a physician that Mr. Rodrigues was not normal at all, and was certainly suffering from some mental ailment, which led him to do things unconsciously. He could not suggest any treatment for the ailment, which might give no signs for a long time, even for years, and suddenly break out, under stress.

The opinions expressed by the physicians in this case have given rise to considerable discussion in the town, and the next hearing of the case, on October 29, is looked forward to with more than ordinary interest.

—Our Own Correspondent.

STOCK MARKET
REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday says: Market was very quiet.

Buyers

Hotels \$3.15
Lands \$30.25
Yau-mat Ferries \$22.25
Electric (old) \$36.50
Electric (new) \$36.25
Telephones (old) \$23.25
Ropes \$6.10
Entertainments \$0.50

Sellers

Lands \$31
Yau-mat Ferries \$22.75
Telephones (old) \$24
Cements \$16.10
Vibro Piling \$8

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MISSING SECRET
DOCUMENT

Officials of the Cleethorpes (Lincolnshire) Council have reported the loss of a highly confidential document and requested the Home Office to make an immediate recovery. The document was issued secretly some time ago. It is stated, to a former fire chief and he was the only person locally who knew of its existence. When a new chief took over recently, he found it missing. A local councillor added that the loss of the document was known to certain persons but no action had been taken.

American
War Files
DestroyedFire Breaks Out In
U.S. War Offices

Washington, Oct. 30. A fire started at 4 a.m. in the Munitions Building, housing the office of the Secretary of War and most of the War Department, also the Bureau of Secret Military Information. It is reported to have started in the code room.

Hundreds lined the streets and watched eight Maryland (Virginia) fire companies help all the available Washington apparatus to battle the flames, which, by 4.50 a.m., had already burned three wings of the building and had set fire to a fourth.

The Chief of Staff, Brigadier-General George C. Marshall, arrived and called out 500 soldiers to aid in removing the archives, while 25 fire engines did their utmost to prevent the fire spreading to the section of the building housing the Navy Department.

Although firemen feared that the contents of the Code Room were already destroyed the Chief of that department, Major Edward French, personally pleaded with them to do their utmost to save the contents.

Hose crews were stationed on the roof of a former apartment building housing the Selective Service Headquarters directly across the street to avert the danger of sparks setting it on fire. Officials prepared to remove the conscription records if necessary.

The fire was eventually brought under control after it had destroyed an undetermined number of documents and files, but the Code Room was not damaged. "A complete investigation will be made," declared General Marshall. "We will not miss any possible cause."—United Press.

Reservists
Going Back
To SeaAmericans In Colony
Called Up

A number of well-known Americans in the Colony, who are members of the United States Navy Reserve, have been called up for service and are expected to leave shortly by the U.S.S. Asheville to report to the Commandant of the 16th Naval District for assignment.

The men are H. L. ("Jim") Akers, manager of the Palace Hotel Bar; James H. ("Chuck") Connor, manager of the Black Dog cafe, Hennessy Road; William Gunn, Jr.; V. H. ("Dutch") Lingenbrink; E. R. ("Red") Sammons, manager of Gingle's Cafe, Gloucester Road; Arthur P. ("Red") Thomson, manager of the London Cafe, Lockhart Road; Shelby N. Vance, retired Chief Radioman, now operating a radio store in the Colony; Peter F. ("Pete") Zeel, manager of Marcel Cafe, Nathan Road.

It is understood five of the men will be doing shore duty and Thomson will be taken on as a ship's cook. It is officially stated that the calling up of the reservists does not represent any extraordinary situation.

BLINDED AIRMAN
Saves Plane

Flying Officer G. N. S. Cleaver, wounded in both eyes during an air battle, refused to abandon his plane. His base had been bombed, he had led his section with great determination and courage, and had destroyed one of the attacking aircraft. After he had been wounded, he made a successful landing. He has been awarded the D.F.C.



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"My dear fellow, why didn't you say so at first? Trouble is, it's so long since I've had a hangover myself, I've almost forgotten the symptoms. Was there no Rose's Lime Juice in your corner of the Shires?"

"Affraid I don't follow you."

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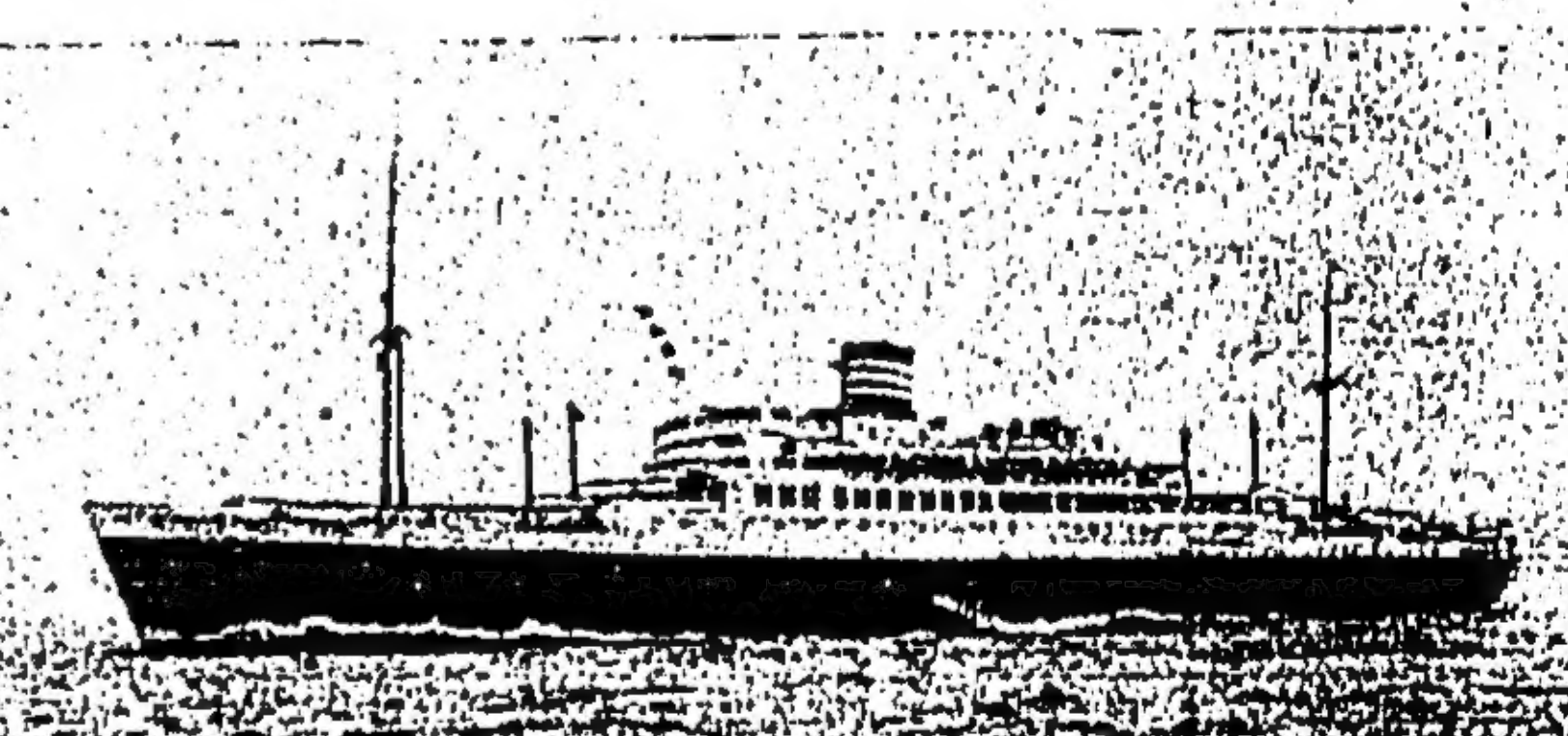
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NAZIS GNAW AT VITALS OF DEFEATED FRENCH

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—How France has suffered under German occupation is revealed in a statement by the Ministry of Economic Warfare which says that at least 800,000 tons of wheat have been removed to Germany from Occupied France.

Bread is now rationed in France at 87 ounces per week. Meat is rationed at 12½ ounces per week in France but in Germany it is 17 to 20 ounces. More than 1,000,000 pigs are believed to have been removed from France to Germany during one fortnight in September alone. One thousand cattle were also removed. The average consumption of butter and oil per head in France before was 17 kilos but now it is reduced to five to six kilos. **Sugar Beet Lost**—About 80 per cent. of the French sugar beet crop has been lost owing to the fighting in North France. French wines have been requisitioned by the Germans and one French firm alone has delivered 12,000,000 bottles of champagne to Germany. Transport has largely broken down in France because trucks and locomotives have been taken to Germany, and lorry transport is at a standstill owing to the shortage of petrol.

Hitler's Revenge: Imposes War Guilt

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Marshal emphasised that he went to the meeting of his own free will and had "entered the road of collaboration" without pressure. The interview was only possible through the French people's dignity in the face of their ordeal and their enormous efforts towards regeneration, he continued. "France has rallied. This meeting between the victor and the vanquished signified the first vindication of our country. I have been under no duress by Hitler. The collaboration of our two countries was considered. I accepted the principles of it and the application will be discussed later." As an admonition "to all who are inclined to deviate from our opinions" and "those who doubt and burden their hearts" the Marshal said that the first duty of Frenchmen is to unite.

What Future Holds

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"Previously I have spoken to you as a father. To-day I speak as a leader. Follow me."

AXIS POWERS FOR CHEAP VICTORY

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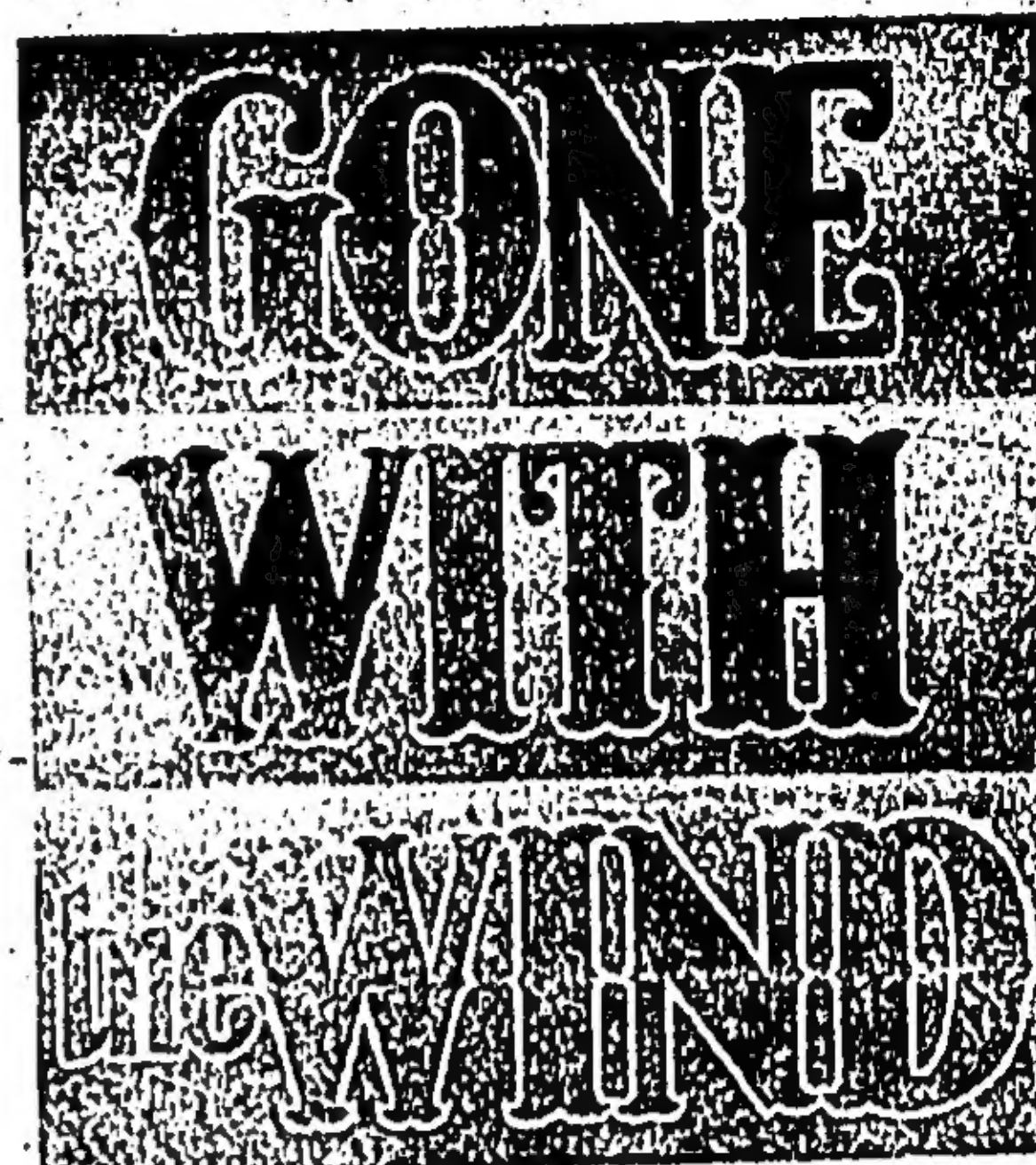
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WHITEAWAY'S

HEAVY FIGHTING ON THE GREEK FRONTIER: SLOW PENETRATION

CONCRETE AID FOR GREECE NEEDED

By SCOTT WATSON

UNITED PRESS STAFF
CORRESPONDENT

ATHENS, Oct. 30 (UP).—The most important question in Athens to-day is the whereabouts of the British fleet because foreign radio reports are very vague in this respect.

Morale here is hardening but public expressions clearly indicate that concrete British aid is very essential in order to check the inevitable fifth column rumour-carriers.

It is reported from Corfu that all foodstuffs are under military control. The islanders are constantly reminded of danger by seeing Italian warships convey supplies into Sante Quaranti which is only five miles distant.

An Emergency Committee of art experts has been ordered to insure the safety of the Greek priceless treasure in the museums.

Greece Will Add Page To History

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—"Greece will bear the ordeals that lie before it with patience and dignity, and with God's help the Greeks will add a new page to their history," declared the Greek Minister, M. Simopoulos speaking at a luncheon in London to-day.

M. Simopoulos said: "The time has come when we must fight for our independence and life. We know what these ideals are because they are ideals for which Greece has fought throughout the centuries, and we will be proud in fighting side by side with the British Empire for ultimate victory."

M. Simopoulos added that Greece has been the victim of a dastardly attack and premeditated aggression without any provocation whatsoever, and the attempt to find an excuse rendered the aggression more disgraceful.

Expert On War Outlines

Japan To Play Part

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BUCHAREST, Oct. 30 (UP).—The distribution of British in Asia and the Colonies "necessitates two vast manoeuvres against England," according to Director P. Scleraru in an editorial in the "Currenta" written in Rome where he is visiting.

One manoeuvre will be in the Pacific and the other on the road to India he says, adding that the former "explains the role of the Berlin-Tokyo-Rome agreement."

The editorial which carries the title "New Phase of War" states "the military problem of the Axis Powers now is the occupation of all petroleum regions in Iraq, Iran and the Suez Canal which would be such a blow to England that it would limit America's intervention in the Pacific."

Costly Gains for Italians: Badly Beaten in One Clash

Special to the "Telegraph"

REPORTS RECEIVED FROM "UNITED PRESS" CORRESPONDENTS INDICATE THAT SERIOUS FIGHTING IS TAKING PLACE IN THE DISTRICT OF KORCA ON THE ALBANIAN-GREEK FRONTIER, WHILE THE ITALIANS ARE SAID TO HAVE OCCUPIED THE GREEK TOWNS OF BREZNICA AND JANARI.

ARTILLERY COULD BE HEARD ALL DAY YESTERDAY AND LAST NIGHT IN THE DIRECTION OF KORCA.

The Italians are reported to have captured Janari after a heavy battle lasting two hours. The town fell late on Tuesday afternoon.

Seven Greeks were killed and 20 wounded, while Italian losses are claimed to have been much heavier.

FRONTIER PORT FALLS, REPORT

Italian troops are reported to have occupied the frontier port of Smernes at dawn on Wednesday. The advance from Janari has been hampered by strong Greek resistance and the absence of any good roads in Greek territory.

According to reports from the Yugo-Slavian frontier an Italian detachment from the Albanian frontier town of Nikolica yesterday morning succeeded in crossing the border, but lost 60 killed and 89 wounded and were badly defeated by Greek troops from Filkal, Slinnica and Fusima. Three Greeks were wounded in this engagement.

ARTILLERY DUEL AT SAIADI

Italian troops on the Greek-Albanian border near the Albanian town of Konispoli on Tuesday night opened fire with mountain artillery against the small Greek port of Saiadi where Greek artillery immediately replied and a four-hour duel ensued.

A Greek gunboat at Saiadi also took part in the fight.

It is reported that approximately 3,500 well-armed Albanian rebels are persistently attacking Italian posts and detachments in Albania near the Greek frontier.

Twenty Italian planes took part in the bombing of the Athens airport at Tatoi on Tuesday evening. The damage was not serious.

The main Italian attack is apparently directed against Lerina. Gunfire was audible there all day on Tuesday.

There are unconfirmed reports that the Greeks are concentrating in the Prepan Lake region in the mountains between the villages of Nivica and Saint Peter.

Further reports state that the Greeks are pushing the Italians towards Korca to which the Italians are rushing reinforcements.

Yugo-Slav Frontier Closed

Bad weather for the past 48 hours throughout Albania has limited aerial operations. The Yugo-Slavia frontier is now closed to railway traffic, presumably because Greece needs locomotives and rolling stock for the transport of troops.

According to a message from Djakovica on the Yugo-Slavian border, the Italians have occupied the Greek town of Breznica on the frontier between Greece and Albania—an important strategic road junction.

Twenty-three Greeks are said to have been killed and 40 wounded, while Italian losses were 42 killed and 60 wounded.

Greek Communique

An official Greek communique issued at Athens yesterday stated: "The night of October 28 saw TURN to Back Page, Column 3

ATTACK ON GIB. SHIPPING Official Version

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

GIBRALTAR, Oct. 30 (UP).—Italians to-day attempted to sink British ships in Gibraltar harbour with a special device.

The following announcement was made by local British naval authorities:

"This morning an abortive attempt was made by Italian naval officers to torpedo ships in the harbour with a special device.

"One torpedo exploded harmlessly at the harbour entrance and another ran ashore in Spanish territory."

Hitler's Revenge: Imposes War Guilt Clause Upon France

Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, Oct. 30 (UP).—Authoritative circles declared that Hitler's conversations with Marshal Petain and M. Laval resulted in no formal agreements but they discussed the fundamental questions of France's future.

They said that three points were mutually recognized: "firstly, that France declared war; secondly, that France lost the war; and, thirdly, that France must pay her share of the costs of war."

The motif of the conversations with the French were "responsibility to the future of Europe." They added that Spain is also "spiritually joined to the team for the reorganization of Europe in community with the Axis Powers."

Only An Armistice

VICHY, Oct. 30 (UP).—Marshal Petain said he had already begun the policy of collaboration, although the details remain to be worked out. He said he went freely to meet Hitler who imposed no conditions and no specific dates.

In a radio speech to the nation at 5.45 p.m., the Marshal announced that he hoped that the inter-zone boundary line would be rendered more flexible and that the condition

of the war prisoners would be improved soon, but he warned that "the armistice is not peace."

Petaim's Story

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Marshal Petain gave a personal account over the Lyons Radio to-night of his meeting with Hitler. The TURN to Back Page, Column 3

British Rain Bombs On Night Targets

FLY OVER REICH IN SNOWSTORMS

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—For over 100 miles before reaching Germany, British bomber airmen had to fly blind through a raging snowstorm as well as intense anti-aircraft fire.

Using numerous parachute flares the airmen found their targets in the city's centre, including large electrical works and bombed them despite the thick snow.

One pilot said that a great quantity of snow penetrated the cockpit and covered his instruments as well as himself till he looked like a flying snowman.

Oil Supply Centres

The atrocious weather had the paradoxical effect of increasing the diversity of R.A.F. attacks.

Oil supply centres were the chief objectives, but the planes, which encountered excessively bad weather, were deflected elsewhere. Thus in addition to objectives mentioned earlier, oil refineries at Leuna and Gelsenkirchen were bombed.

Krupps Visited

Industrial plants at Leipzig and the Krupps Works at Essen received a further visitation while a direct hit was scored on a river bridge at Stralsund.

Other aircraft, unable to locate their primary objectives, dropped heavy bombs on Ruhr railway junctions and others farther north and east, thus, complicating communications between the highly industrialized western regions and the remainder of Germany.

Within ten minutes of the attack on a canal and goodyard at Munster, a great blaze broke out in aerodromes, of which 20 were bombed.

Love Tragedy Of C. N. A. C. Shooting

CHUNGKING, Oct. 31 (Reuter).—Miss Lu Mei-ying, airline hostess was among the nine killed when the C.N.A.C. airliner was shot down by Japanese on Tuesday. Four were injured.

Miss Lu was making her last trip. She had resigned to marry in Hongkong and was due to finish work tomorrow.

The death of the Pilot, Mr. W. C. Kent, an American, is confirmed.

Marines To Stay In Shanghai

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (UP).—Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, denied to-day that the United States Marines at Shanghai will be removed to either Manila or Honolulu.

VICHY, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—M. Pierre Laval is again in Paris, where he is remaining until the week-end, according to the newspaper, "Petit Parisien."

CHILDREN ESCAPE FROM TORPEDOING



U. S. FLEET NEAR MARTINIQUE

Knox Declines To Explain

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—The mysterious departure under sealed orders of five United States destroyers, 17 bombers and one seaplane tender from Key West led to much speculation which was heightened when Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, smilingly refused to state their destination.

When a mercy ship, carrying 321 British children to Canada was some miles off the English coast recently, the vessel was attacked by a U-boat and torpedoed. But not a single child was harmed, and the youngsters, singing popular and patriotic songs, were later landed at a British port. Here we see some of the rescued evacuees as they landed after their ordeal at a west coast port.

LATEST

Rumour is busy suggesting that the ships are bound for French Martinique, where differences between pro-Vichy and anti-Vichy partisans is reported to be nearing a climax.

While the five destroyers are inadequate to seize the island if the French Navy offers resistance, it is known that other American units, including new cruisers, are in the Porto Rico region.

Papen To Report To Berlin

ISTANBUL, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Herr Franz von Papen, the German Ambassador to Turkey, has left Ankara for Istanbul where he is stated to be proceeding immediately to Berlin.

CLIPPER DUE

The delayed Honolulu Clipper which has been held up on the way across the Pacific by adverse weather conditions left Manila this morning and is expected to arrive at Hongkong this afternoon.

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AMERICA ACQUIRES NEW AUXILIARY FLEET

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (UP).—Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy announced to-day that the Navy Department had acquired 31 fleet auxiliary vessels to supplement the fleet based at Hawaii for service anywhere in the Pacific.

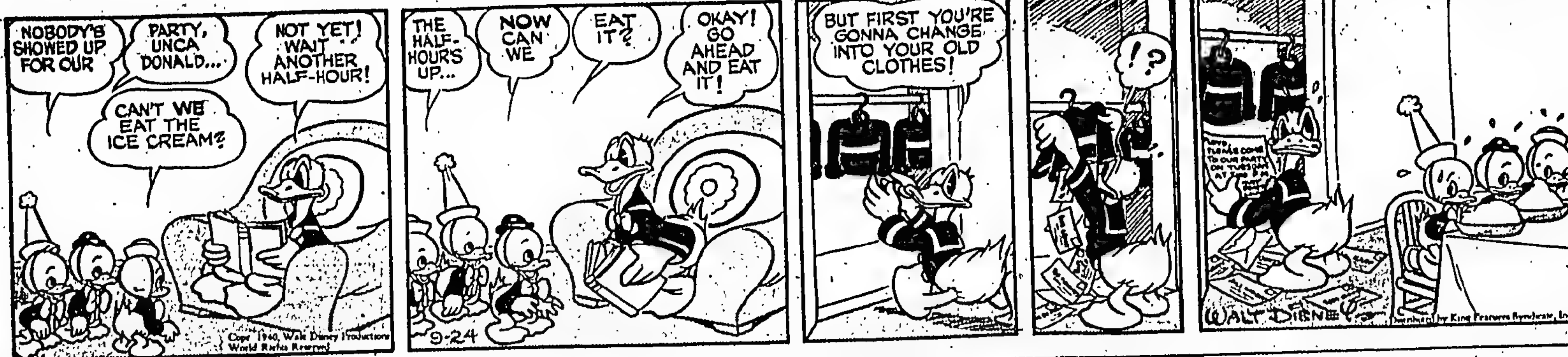
He said these vessels would be used in connection with the operations of the fleet including any manoeuvres in Philippine waters. The majority of the ships are oil tankers and supply ships, eleven of which are already in the Pacific, raising the total of principal auxiliaries to 22, the majority of which are large, fast tankers.

Colonel Knox said the fleet train is already sufficient to serve well in an "emergency" but will be increased to serve at any of the United States territories in an emergency. He said the newly acquired ships would be based at Hawaii, but will ply between there and the mainland for some time.

New Fleet Details

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (UP).—The acquisition of auxiliary vessels since October 18 totals 39 ships including two 6,085 ton general store ships; one 6,200 ton refrigerated ship; nine 11,500 ton oil tankers; three 8,378 ton transports; three 6,350 ton transports; fourteen mine sweepers; each about 1,800 tons; five district craft of unspecified tonnage and two submarine chasers.

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VICTORY IN WAR AGAINST GREECE

REPORTS EMANATING FROM SOFIA THAT GREECE AND ITALY HAD SIGNED AN ARMISTICE CANNOT GAIN CONFIRMATION IN ANY OFFICIAL QUARTERS EITHER IN ROME, BERLIN, ATHENS OR LONDON, BUT, ACCORDING TO "REUTER'S" DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT, IT APPEARS THAT ITALY IS HOPING THAT GREECE WILL GIVE WAY TO MORAL PRESSURE, BACKED BY MILITARY THREAT.

The fact that the German Minister remains in Athens would seem to confirm that the Axis partners are still hoping to win a cheap victory.

On the other hand Greek reaction has hitherto been exceptionally strong and wholesome, and backed by the might of Britain, Greece will give the Italians plenty of trouble.

TROOPS RUSHING TO FRONT

Athens reports that buses, loaded to capacity with soldiers on their way to the front, crowds waiting all day outside the headquarters of the General Staff for an opportunity to cheer the King or General Metaxas were typical scenes in the Greek capital yesterday.

The population has accepted the strict black-out regulations cheerfully in spite of the fact that on Tuesday night the authorities took the drastic step of cutting off all electric current except that required for essential services.

The completion of mobilisation in Greece is rendered difficult for geographic reasons, but staff work done under General Metaxas' guidance before the hostilities began is bearing fruit, and plans are being smoothly carried out.

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"United Press" and "Reuter" messages.

Italian Trepidation
Over New Nazi Pact

ZURICH, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—The one inescapable fact emerging from its news from both Berlin and Rome is that recent events have compelled Hitler to adopt the unaccustomed role of "appeaser," but whether with better effect than the appeasers of yesterday is still conjectural.

Having in the first place failed in his attempt to persuade Italy to sacrifice her territorial claims against France, Hitler is faced with further Italian recalcitrance in opposing any active or passive assistance by France in a war which Mussolini feared might entitle Britain to equal partnership with Italy in Germany's "new order."

Then came Hitler's hasty visit to Florence which was followed by significantly soothing German news "Zeitung" which asserted that while France had been offered participation in the Axis system if she broke with Britain, Germany promised nothing regarding later peace.

Thereafter the Italian press was noticeably calmer.

Probable Terms
Political observers deduce, therefore, that though Italian claims may be put in the background while "appeasement" is directed to France, Germany has assured Italy that her claims will have due consideration later.

The conclusions drawn, therefore, are:

(1) The Germans' new offer to France is more generous than the original offer.

(2) France is left uncertain whether a temporary peace will be modified later to satisfy Italy.

(3) France's bargaining position depends upon Britain's resistance.

Hence discussion of a detailed execution of a Franco-German agreement may proceed less smoothly than first expected.

Anxiety of Rome
LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Italy's anxiety over the arrangement which Hitler has been trying to make with the Vichy Government is clearly reflected in a Berlin dispatch to-day.

The dispatch suggests that the Italians have successfully objected to any Franco-German settlement which would deprive Italy of the fruits of victory in exchange for French aid against Britain.

Quoting authoritative German quarters, it says that in the Hitler talks with Laval and Petain, "not only was no formal agreement reached but no special problem was even discussed."

War Guilt
The talks, it adds, were solely concerned with the "general plan of the part which France wishes to play in the new European order following the Axis victory."

The dispatch concluded: "A new European dispensation cannot fail to take account of the fact that it was France which desired, provoked and lost the war and that for this she must pay in full."

Air Training Plan
Ahead Of Schedule

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—The Empire Air Training Scheme, designed to produce 20,000 pilots and 30,000 aircrews annually when in full operation, is already months ahead of schedule, declared Viscount Cranborne, the Dominions Secretary, speaking in London to-day.

Canada and Australia, he said, each had 30,000 men trained or training.

Canadian destroyers were co-operating with the British Navy, and the Australian Navy in the Mediterranean and the Red Sea was doing magnificent work.

"In the Middle East, forces from South Africa, as well as from Southern Rhodesia and other parts of Africa, stand alongside our own troops to defeat the Italian foe."

Thousands Rally
"Elsewhere in the same area, Australians and New Zealanders are massing while thousands of Canadians are in Britain eager to deal faithfully with Hitler's invasion."

Never had the British Commonwealth been more important than to-day, Lord Cranborne declared.

In the storm now shaking the foundations of the world, the British Empire stood like a rock against which winds and waves broke without weakening its essential strength.

BALKAN MINISTERS
MEET IN CAIRO

BOON-OF-TURKISH-POLICY

CAIRO, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Ministers representing the Balkan states met at the Egyptian Ministry for Foreign Affairs on Tuesday in order to discuss the situation arising from the Italian invasion of Greece.

The Turkish Minister, M. Sevil Alkin, is understood to have declared that Turkey is in complete agreement with Britain regarding present and future action.

He added that Turkey's non-participation in the hostilities for the present is a matter well to be favourable to the general situation rather than her participation.

The announcement was not made earlier "for reasons of policy, which no longer exist," adds the communiqué.

Helle Sinking
By Italians
Confirmed

ATHENS, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—That an Italian submarine was responsible for the unprovoked peacetime sinking of the Greek cruiser Helle off the island of Tinos last August was revealed by the Greek Navy High Command to-day.

Fragments of two torpedoes were picked up after the attack and were found by experts to be of Italian manufacture.

The announcement was not made earlier "for reasons of policy, which no longer exist," adds the communiqué.

Losses At Sea
Nazi Warship Abroad?

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—The Admiralty announces that two travellers, Wave Flower and Joseph Hutton, have been sunk by enemy mines.

Enemy Claim

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—A German High Command communiqué claims that a warship is operating in overseas waters and announces the sinking of three armed merchant ships with a total of 10,400 tons and adds that a U-boat has sunk a large armed merchant ship of 10,500 tons.

Canadian Minesweeper
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OTTAWA, Oct. 30 (UP).—It has been officially announced that the minesweeper Bras D'Or is missing and feared lost with 30 officers and crew aboard. She was en route to Sydney, Nova Scotia.

GERMAN
RAIDERS
BEATEN
BACK

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Enemy raider formations which attempted a surprise daylight attack under cover of banks of dense clouds over the south-east coast area to-day, were again foiled by British fighters.

As they flew in from the sea, R.A.F. machines closed with them and scattered them in disorder and retreat.

Reports received up to 4 p.m. G.M.T. show that five aircraft were destroyed to-day and that four British fighters are missing.

It was officially announced to-night that two more enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday, making a total of 30 shot down during the day.

German Communiqué
LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—A German High Command communiqué broadcast stated that bomber units have again dropped numerous bombs on London and other military objectives in the south of England, such as the naval harbour of Portsmouth, and that the munition dump in Great Yarmouth was also bombed with success.

Two ships were hit off Ramsgate. Italian planes participated in these operations.

"The enemy yesterday lost 47 planes. Seventeen German planes are missing."

Bag Grow
LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Seven enemy aircraft have been destroyed so far to-day and four British planes are missing, according to the latest official statement.

New Coastal Barrage
LONDON, Oct. 30 (UP).—There was light sporadic gunfire at the commencement of the first night alarm and planes were audible in the distance above the clouds at 7.30 a.m.

Raiders were over a north-west town and Liverpool at 7 p.m. The raid started as on last night, when the heavy new barrage on the south-east coast belt, extending ten miles inland, was credited with surprising the raiders who were using their usual "lanes" in their approach on London, driving back many who scattered their bombs in the fields before flight.

Roosevelt Campaign
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
Abroad the Presidential Train to Boston, Oct. 30 (UP).—President Roosevelt opened his third term drive in New England to-day by condemning the injection of fear into the campaign.

He told the rain-drenched crowd at New Haven, Connecticut, that "all this talk about sending American boys to Europe does not conform to the facts of the past nor the facts of the future."

Referring to Greek-Italian hostilities, the President said that despite the extending theatre of war, the United States had "been able to keep clear," and added that the United States had now started to muster her manpower to show her determination to keep clear.

Exchange At
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SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 1/2
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T.T. Switzerland	97
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The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,230 n.
H.K. Banks	62 n.
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Chartered	6 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	20 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C.	10 1/2 n.
East Asia	72 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton	175 n.
Union	387 1/2 n.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	150 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglases	130 b.
Steamboats	11 n.
Indo-China S. S.	100 n.
Indo-China D. S.	80 n.
Shell (Shippers) s/s	34 1/4 n.
Waterbush	0.90 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	90 1/2 n.
Docks (old)	18 n.
Docks (new)	150 n.
Providents	4.60 n.
S'hai Dockyards	28 1/4 n.
MINING	
Kallan s/s	14 n.
Rauks s/s	9 1/4 n.
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 cts. n.
LANDS	
Hotels	3.15 b.
Lands	31 n.
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n.
S'hai Lands Sh.	10.70 n.
Humphreys	7.10 n.
H.K. Realities	3.35 b.
Chinese Estates	100 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	10 n.
Peak Trams (old)	7.40 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3.70 n.
Star Ferries	22 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries	6 1/2 n.
China Lights (new)	6.40 n.
China Lights (old)	30 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (old)	30 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	117 n.
Macao Electric (old)	124 n.
Macao Electric (new)	124 n.
Sandakan Lights	2.24 n.
Telephones (old)	9.55 b.
Telephones	100 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cold. Macz. (Ord.)	Sh. \$ 14.90 n.
Cold. Macz. (Pref.)	Sh. \$ 12 n.
Canton Ties	10.10 n.
Cements	10.10 n.
H.K. Ropes	0.85 n.
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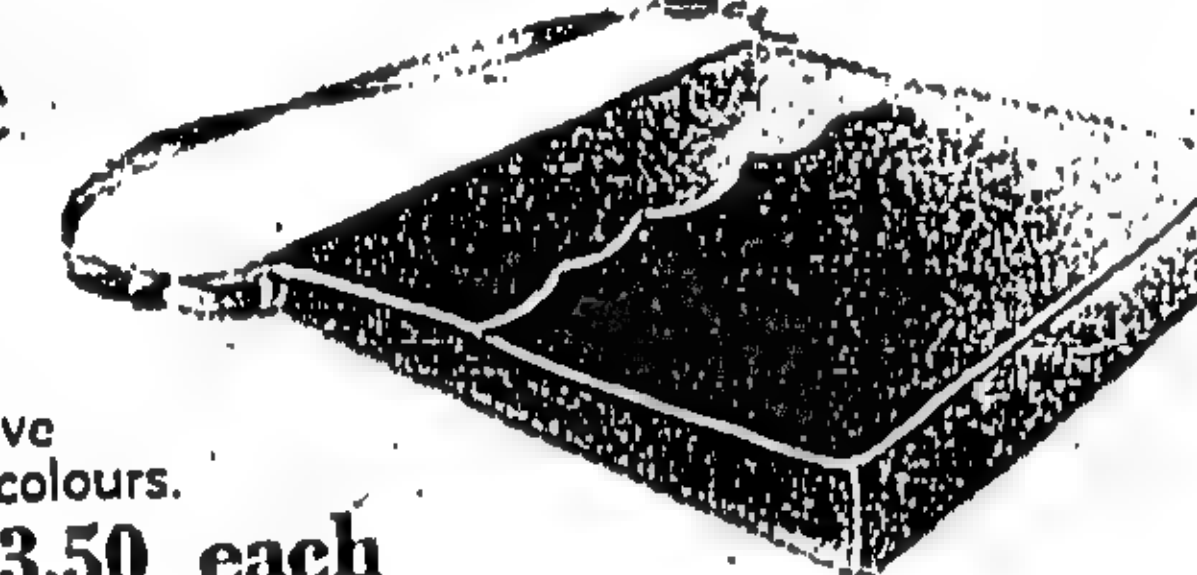
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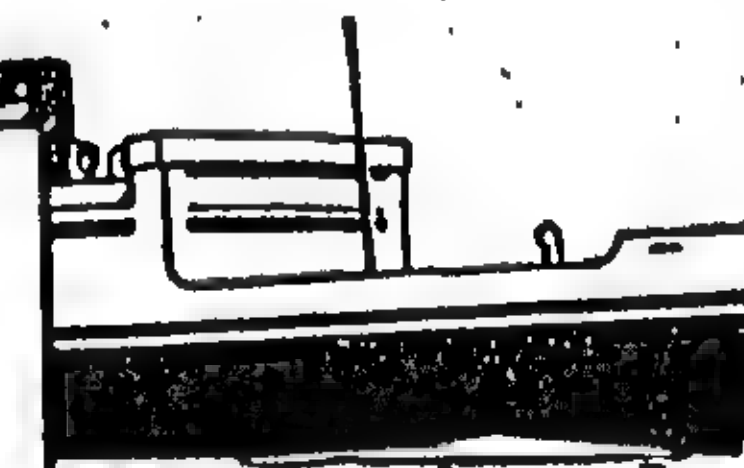
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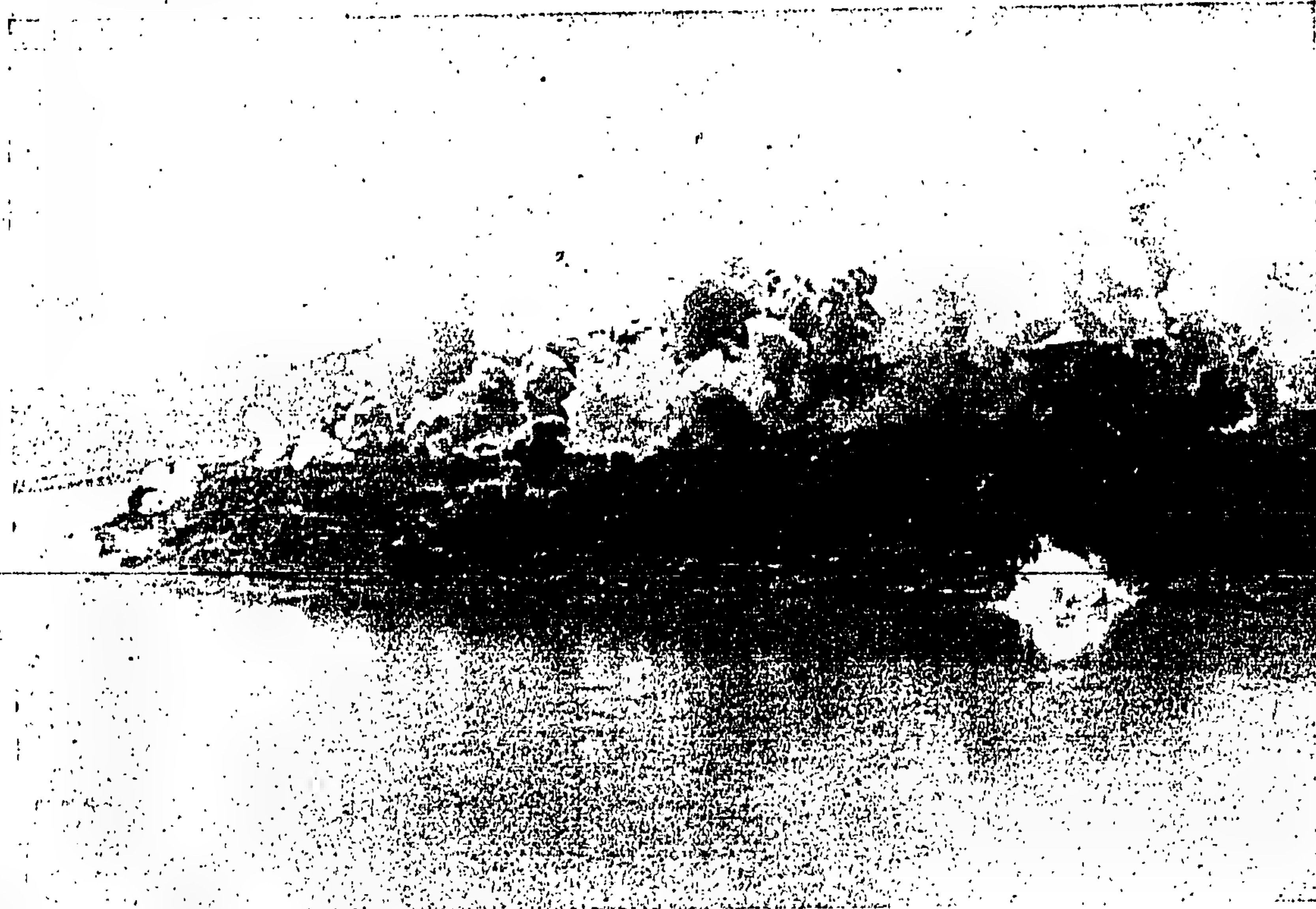
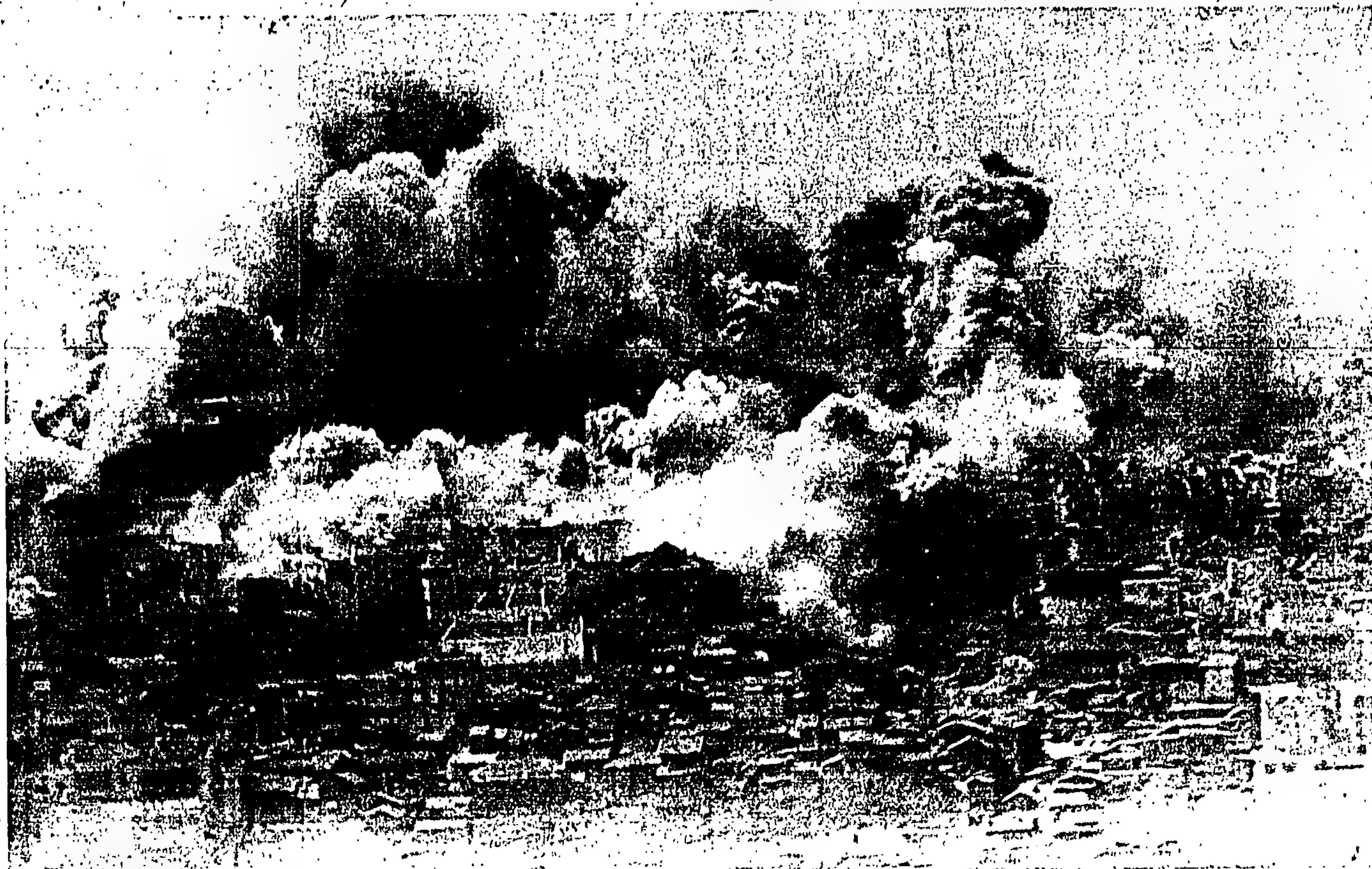
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If you have any doubt what an air raid on a congested area looks like, these accompanying pictures will provide the answer. These are probably among the most vivid pictures ever taken of raids on Chungking, the Chinese capital. They were secured at great risk to the photographer who was under direct fire at the time. The effect of dozens of incendiary bombs is shown in the billowing smoke; they all fell in closely congested residential areas right down to the river's edge, where, as can be seen in the picture opposite, they also landed in the water sending up huge fountains.

Commander Goes Down With Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 30 (UP).—The Admiralty announced that casualties on the French patrol vessel Chasseur 06 which was recently sunk included the Commanding Officer, Lieutenant W. B. G. Galbraith.

were scored by S. A. Fowler and D. Smith.

KHALSA ATTACK

KHALSA retaliated strongly in the closing minutes of the game, but could make no headway against a strong Club defence in which W. A. Reed, at centre half, played well as did N. Whitley at left half.

Thompson, playing the one-back game, gave a good account of himself. The combination among the forwards, S. A. Fowler, T. Whitley and E. Fowler, was a marked improvement on the previous week's performance.

The KHALSA attack was all at sea without G. Singh and Awar Singh, and although Pyara Singh made several attempts at breaking through he found the Club pivot too big an obstacle. The halves worked hard but here again Mohinder Singh was badly missed at left half.

The game was played at a fast pace but terminated earlier than usual, owing to the black-out.

Club Defeat Weak Khalsa XI

Last Tuesday, Club, fielding only ten men, defeated a weak Khalsa team on their home ground at King's Park by 3-0.

In the early stages of the game the visitors, led by Pyara Singh, were dangerous when they broke away and gave the home defence some awkward moments, but Ben well in goal rose to the occasion and saved brilliantly two "certainties" from the Indian leader.

Club in turn took up the attack, forcing three short corners in succession, B. Fowler finding the net in the third attempt. Club kept the lead when sides were changed.

The home attack pressed hard during the second half and further goals

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Spain Will Probably Remain Out Of Fight

MADRID, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—That General Franco will not be disappointed in his known desire to keep Spain out of war remains the prevailing sentiment in well-informed quarters.

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—The Viceroy of India's war purpose fund, which is raised entirely from voluntary contributions, now totals £1,500,000.

Kennedy Stands By Roosevelt

New York, Oct. 30.

The American Ambassador to Britain, Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, in a broadcast to-day, strongly supported President Roosevelt's candidacy and insisted that America must and will keep out of the war, he declared that oceans alone were inadequate barriers against the

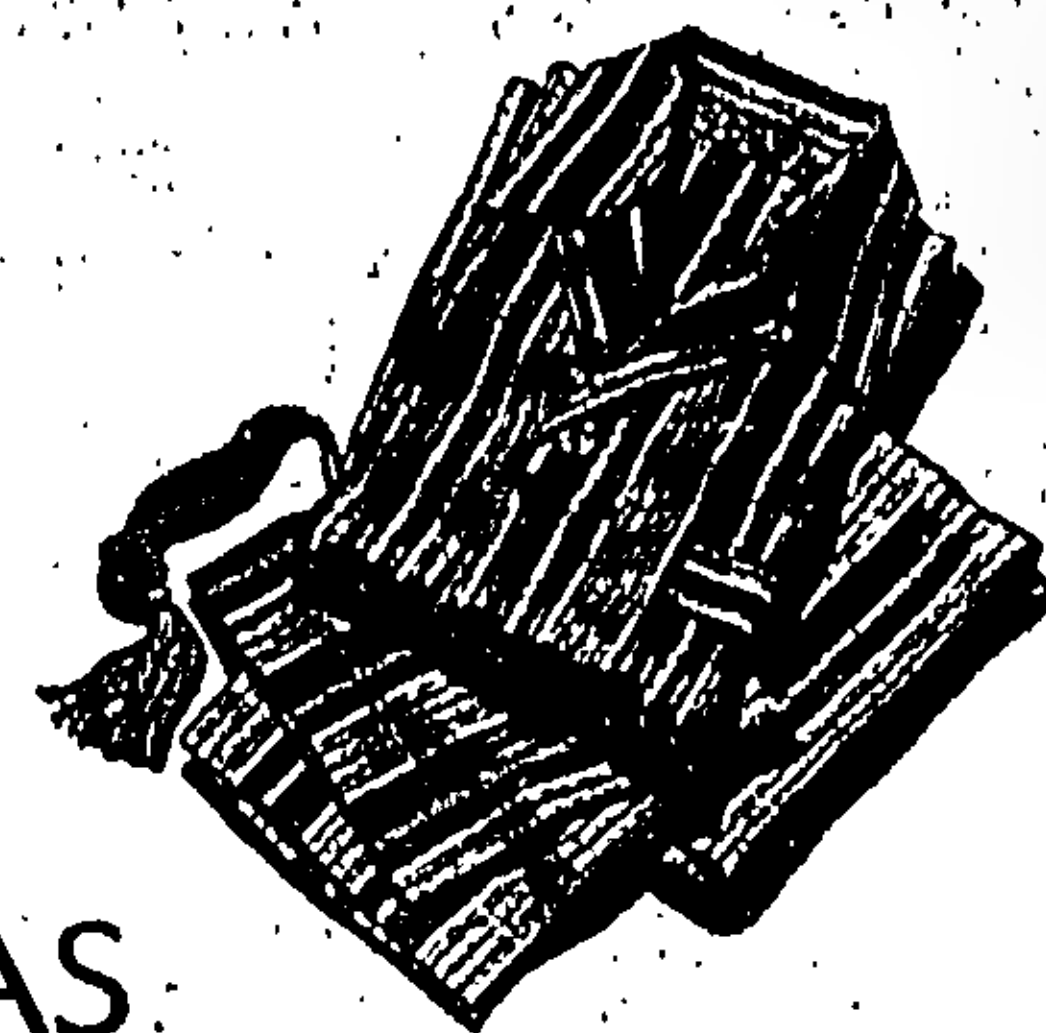
GARBO TO BECOME AMERICAN CITIZEN

Hollywood, Oct. 29.

Greta Garbo, the screen star, has applied for her first American citizenship papers. She gave her age as 35.—United Press.

revolutionary forces threatening civilisation.

If they remained fast enough America would keep out of war, he said. There could be no more harmful step from the British viewpoint than an American declaration of war.



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"Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

ASSN. TOURNAMENT STARTS ON SUNDAY

Benefits Derived By Competing Clubs

Games Should Be Interesting

AT THE FIRST MEETING of the Hongkong Hockey Association, it was decided that no tournament games were to be played this season, but from what I can gather, Clubs have got together and players in general have voiced their opinion in favour of a Tournament.

A further meeting was held by the H.K.H.A. Council when it was announced that a Tournament would be run.

Though no trophy is being played for, this tournament, in my opinion, is a grand idea. It gets the players to give of their best—each Club fields its most formidable team—qualified umpires are provided by the Umpires Association, and the game generally is well controlled and enjoyed by all.

We have found in the past, when friendly fixtures had been arranged and the teams had arrived, that there were often one or two absences, and strength was consequently impaired. The Tournament last season was a great success, for players then realized that there was a League Table and it was "up to them" not to let their Club down, and to make every effort to turn out.

The Tournament, I say again, has worked wonderfully well, and although some leading lights think it tends to make play of too determined a character, yet the great advantage of the system far outweighs any disadvantage, if such there be.

Another important consideration is that it suits Club temperament to have something to fight for—though it is only first place at the head of the table—and it thus makes the game one of keen contest.

As far as improvement is concerned, Clubs have found that the Tournament leads to better results. Fourteen teams will participate, viz.—C.B.A., Police "A" and "B", Recreio, Royal Corps of Signals, R. Engineers, Khalsa H.C., M.T.B., Flotilla, University, Nomads, 5th A.A. Battery "A" and "B", Kumon Rifles and A.N. Other.

Two well-known teams, the Radio Club (present champions) and the K.I.T.C. are not taking part due to lack of players, but the majority of these players will represent the Khalsa XI. Three new entries are the 5th A.A. Battery, M.T.B. Flotilla and the Kumons.

The Tournament commences next Sunday, November 3, and the matches this season are going to be most interesting. There is a distinct improvement all round, in play of most Clubs, and the results seem likely to be of a very close nature.

As the Umpires Association will be made to function again, it will not be out of place for me to mention the new officials appointed:

President.—Capt. A. S. Martin.
Hon. Secretary.—K. Hussain.
Council members.—Capt. Pirie, W. R. G. Dodge, T. A. Tyas, W. Wathem, J. W. Dove, J. Gorman, A. S. Xavier and R. L. Gorman.

The stage is all set and I hope the H.K.H.A. Tournament has come to stay.

ARMY FOOTBALL TRIAL

Random Jottings

IT was decided at the last meeting of the Umpires Hockey Association that a member of their body be represented on the Hongkong H.A. Council. Capt. A. S. Martin was nominated, and this was approved by the H.K.H.A. Council.

ENTHUSIASTS will be glad to hear that Bunny Austen of the Royal Corps of Signals and former Hockey Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. is well and fit. He was in the evacuation of the British Expeditionary Force from Dunkirk. Cpl. May of the same Company, also on active service, is now a Lieutenant.

MY congratulations to the following who have qualified for the Umpires' Certificate: T. A. Tyas (R.E.), W. Wathem and G. Gorman (Signals). I do hope more civilians will take up umpiring this season.

THE Umpires Association will hold a meeting to-morrow at 6 p.m. at the K.I.T.C. Any person interested in umpiring is invited to attend. Arrangements will be discussed with regard to supplying officials for the coming Tournament. The new short corner shall not apply to Tournament matches.

SYDNEY FOWLER, the well-known interport right-winger, will be leading for Australia on furlough some time next week. C.B.A. will miss him in the Tournament, and the H.K. Club in their friendly fixtures. Syd. has not been in good health for the last six months, and has been asked to leave on medical advice.

GURBACHAN SINGH, star Radio centre-forward, and triple interporter, has been admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from enteritis. Though I take the opportunity of wishing him a quick recovery, it is very doubtful whether he will be seen in action for at least a month.

MISS G. WHITE, St. Andrew's and Interport right-back, sprained her ankle badly in a tennis game last Sunday. The Saints will miss the services of this brilliant defender for a good six weeks.

Tournament fixtures for next Sunday are:

Police "A" v. A.N. Other XI
Police "B" v. 5th A.A. Bty. "A"
Nomads v. Khalsa
University v. 2nd M.T.B.
C.B.A. v. Kumon Rifles
5th A.A. Bty. "B" v. Police "B"
Signals v. Recreio

The official time for these games is 10.30 a.m. The team mentioned first is the home team and is responsible for ground arrangements.

Club Secretaries are reminded that full particulars regarding their games must be given to Mr. K. Hussain, Secretary of the Umpires Board, so that Umpires may be appointed.

His number is Kait Tak Airport, Govt. 108 or 111. Results of games are to be forwarded to Mr. D. Smith, Secretary the H.K.H.A.

Weak Turn-out Owing To Military Manoeuvres

(By "SCRAMBLER")

ABSENCE of the regular Army players due to injuries, and local military manoeuvres robbed the Army football trial yesterday at Sookunpoo of much of the interest that would otherwise have been present. In a desultory game served up by two teams composed mostly of junior players, the Probables defeated the Possibles by 4 goals to 2.

MIDDLESEX WIN FAST GAME AT SHUMSHUPO

M'sex 3. C.B.A. 1

AN EXCEEDINGLY FAST game was seen at Shumshupo last Sunday when the M'sex Bn. defeated the C.B.A. 3-1. The standard of hockey was high throughout, the soldiers' attack, in particular, controlling and passing the ball well, ably supported by their halves.

The home team attacked and after ten minutes deservedly went ahead through a good goal by Sheehan.

C.B.A. soon equalised, but Caul, with a fine shot, put Middlesex ahead again 2-1 at the interval.

Play in the second half was in favour of the home team. After fifteen minutes the halves, Ure, Crowley and Waldron, were definitely on top and from that juncture to the final whistle they not only held the opposition but launched a sustained attack on the visitors' citadel, Hymas scoring their last goal.

The forwards were quicker on the ball and much smarter and accurate with their passing than the visiting attack. Stickley, at right back, was seen to advantage, with his hard hitting.

LACK OF DASH

C.B.A. scored their solitary goal through E. Fowler, who, in his imitable style, forced his way through in the first half. On the other hand, the C.B.A. attack could not get together in spite of positional changes early on, and there was a conspicuous lack of dash.

It is true that the fast ground rendered recovery difficult, but Smith and T. Whitley failed to take their chances when the opportunities occurred, especially on occasions when the opposing backs were playing a trifle too square.

The defence, however, never gave up trying, Dunne, N. Whitley and Blake having to play a gruelling game against the fast moving home attack. N. Whitley, as pivot, was an outstanding player throughout, Ainsley, at left back, was quite effective with his clearances, but Bull, his partner, was rather slow.

T. Lockhart, in goal, was in splendid form, and had it not been for his fine display more goals would have been scored.

C.B.A. were without Bickford and D. Taylor.

K.C.C. Elevens

The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in cricket matches on Saturday:

1st XI v. I.R.C. (at Sookunpoo).—F. C. Fincher, Capt., N. D. Lloyd, W. Anderson, W. Hapley, A. Zimmerman, E. F. Fincher, F. R. Zimmerman, R. T. Broadbridge, D. Hung, T. A. Mader and L. R. Bury.

2nd XI v. I.R.C. (at home).—S. A. Gray (Capt.), R. Baldwin, G. A. Goodham, E. Curtis, H. Brokenshire, E. M. Baxter, Major Parsons, R. J. Fenton, J. R. Luke, F. Crabb and J. W. Bertram.

Probables owed success to the fact that there was more understanding in their forward line, in that four of the five players were from the same team, and this gave their attack a great deal of confidence, which was altogether lacking in the Possibles. On the day's play, as a combination, Allen, Morgan, Hole, Clark and Martin, played well together, and Clark and Morgan obtained two goals each. Martin and Clark combined well on the right, and were always a source of danger to the Possibles' defence.

The defence was consistent without being brilliant, and, at least, there was some semblance of co-ordination, which was at all lacking in the Possibles. Birrell, Parnaby and Falconer were a hard working trio, whilst Marshall was the steadier of the two backs.

With the exception of Hossack in the forward line, the rest of the Possibles appeared slow. This player tried his hardest to instil fire into the line, but more often than not found himself working alone. Lee Wal-lam did not appear to be himself, and although given many opportunities to run down the line, many of his centres were sent behind or pushed across weakly. Perhaps the absence of Fox had something to do with it.

SORRY DEFENCE

THE DEFENCE was a sorry sight from start to finish. With the exception of Naysmith, they were simply at a loss and awestruck. There was no understanding, though, this, perhaps, was because they were playing for the first time as a team, but there was no excuse for individual blunders in positioning and distribution, as well as anticipation.

ONE SIDED

THE GAME opened with the Probables pressing, and from one of their raids, Martin centred for Morgan to score. Soon after, the Possibles were presented with a golden opportunity to equalise, but Duffield was robbed. Clark put them ahead with a nice lob over the keeper's head, and this same player added the third goal.

Although play swung up and down, it was Probables who were doing most of the attacking, and near the interval Morgan scored to put them four up.

Crossing over, Possibles made determined bids to reduce the arrears, and after improving on their first half's play, Lee Wal-lam went close to score. Although Probables kept up pressure, they were prevented from adding further goals to their score, and in one of their raids, the Possibles reduced their deficit through Hossack, who, after tricking two players, scored with a well placed shot.

PROBABLES: Cullency; Marshall, Hamlin; Birrell, Parnaby, Falconer; Allen, Morgan, Hole, Clark, Martin.

POSSIBLES: Macleary; Lamson, Naysmith; Palmer, Taylor, Howarth; Lee Wal-lam, Brown, Hossack, Young, Duffield.

Club's Saturday XV

The following will represent Club firsts against Police on the Police ground on Saturday at 4.15 p.m.:

F. M. Thompson; M. O. Carruthers, G. G. Aitkenhead, D. G. Day, D. H. Stewart; J. C. Charter, J. Thomson; Hackett, J. Macrae, R. F. Heasman; R. G. Gairdner, C. F. Needham; Davies, A. J. C. Taylor, A. M. Kennedy.

ARMY CONVINCINGLY DEFEAT CLUB "A"

Ragged Display By Civilian Players

(By "Fly-half")

A WELL BALANCED XV drawn from the ranks of the R.A., and which included several players who have appeared for the Army, convincingly defeated a Club Wednesday "A" XV by 18 points (3 goals and a try) to nil yesterday.

The Club team, six of whom have played for the 1st XV, were very ragged in their play and could not settle down against the Army players who followed up fast. Weakness among the inside-three's, who were reluctant to lie on the ball in the loose, was the major fact which led to two of the Army scores.

Hopkins, at full back, found difficulty with bouncing balls, but otherwise played quite well. The Day-Carruthers wing combination promised, only to fail through bad passing and handling.

Clemo and Morgan were a steady pair of halves who dealt with the ball cleanly, and it was certainly no impediment to move J. Thomson out of the pack to scrum half, Morgan to the pack, and Clemo to stand-off. Clemo over-did the kicking when at fly-half.

HARD-WORKING PACK

CLUB pack stuck hard to their task of holding the strong Army line, but this tired them out. They were soon down well up with the ball in the loose. Dalziel detracted from his quick breaking by kicking ahead instead of dribbling the ball close to his feet. Gairdner, Godfrey and Kennedy were hard workers amongst the Club pack.

Cleese fielded well and kicked well for touch under pressure. His work generally was precise and cool. Richards found enough room in which to run around Van Leeuwen due to the fact that the Army line, frequently by good manoeuvring of the inside three's, managed to get an extra man over in the three's movements.

Giblin and Keeble were active inside players who had the better of their opposites in the Club team. Hook was the main schemer in the Army XV, and opened up play for his men in good style. Dobbison gave a nice service. Evans and Page were two prominent Army forwards.

THE GAME

A LONG KICK ahead which was followed up and kicked further ahead by Page and then taken to the five yard line by Giblin, was there picked up by the latter who ran over unopposed.

In the second half, a clearance by a Club defender was well marked by Evans about two yards from the line. He kicked a short kick across the field and raced across to tackle Needham as soon as the latter fielded the ball. The ball went loose and Evans struggled over to score. Marsh kicked a good goal from well out.

A three's movement by Army line saw Richards run strong for the line to score between the posts. Keeble converted.

Whitehead, in an Army rush, scored an unconverted try. Clague's kick struck the cross-bar.

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Recreio Over-Run "Y"

Recreio 4 Y.M.C.A. 1

AT KING'S PARK last Saturday, there was a good game and fairly fast, with Recreio's forwards passing in and out smartly. They were much quicker in mid-field than the "Y", whose play was weak. Recreio led by two goals. The first was the result of an individual run by J. Fonseca, during which he beat several "Y" players, and the second was by F. Kull, just on half time.

R. J. Reed found the net off a short corner after the interval, and F. Kull added the fourth during the closing stages of the game.

Though Kull and B. Xavier are from the Nomads, they formed good partnership with Fonseca as centre-forward. R. J. Reed, also of Nomads, gave a good display at centre-half, being well-supported by Tony Alves. J. Gonsalves, at full back, has not found his touch as yet, but his brother H.P. in goal was excellent, and saved many shots by fine anticipation.

"Y" FORWARDS UNSETTLED

THE "Y" forwards never settled down to their normal game and many chances were missed. Morgan and Ure worked very hard, but often got in each other's way, the former having netted the only goal for his side.

Waldron was the best half, and Jordan, at left back, cleared his ranks well. Fishlock was rather disappointing in goal, he should cure his bad habit of leaving his charge too early.

The "Y" have never fielded the same side twice, this probably accounts for their lack of combination.

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The following will represent International against Medical Corps in the Third Division on Saturday at 4.30 p.m.:

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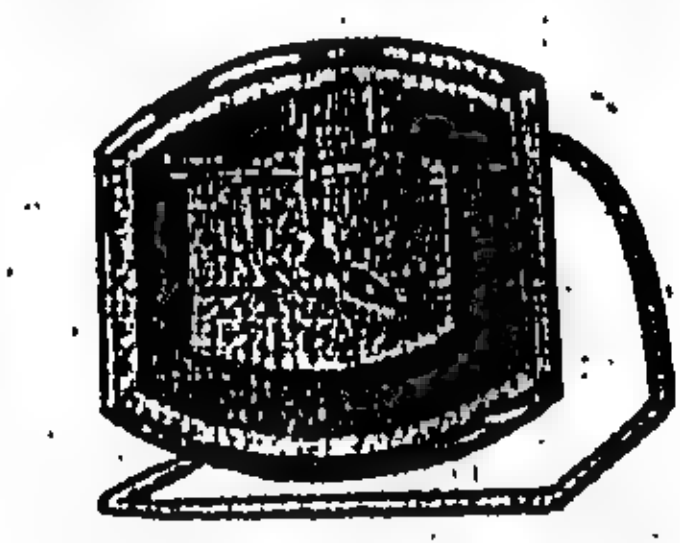
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MACAO SHOOTING Medical Opinions In Trial

Macao, Oct. 29. The case in which Mr. Fernando Rodrigues is charged with the attempted murder of Dr. Gustavo Nolasco was continued today before a crowded court. The case has taken precedence over all other matters in the public interest, and its developments are followed keenly.

Among the witnesses heard were Mr. Jose Nolasco da Silva and Mr. Pedro Nolasco da Silva, who were close to the scene where Dr. Nolasco was shot and injured. In the course of the hearing it was established that Mr. Rodrigues did not proceed to the place with the express intention of meeting Dr. Nolasco, but had gone there on business with Dr. Vila Franca; on meeting Dr. Nolasco, as he left his car, and following heated words and a scuffle, defendant had fired, as previously reported.

Captain Libanio Gomes was also called, and gave it as his opinion that Mr. Rodrigues was not a peaceable citizen; while Mr. Carlos Vasconcelos said that his dealings with Mr. Rodrigues did not reveal that defendant was particularly aggressive.

Medical Opinion. Dr. Vitorio Moniz was of opinion that Mr. Rodrigues would not be perfectly normal, and possibly lost all sense of proportion at certain times. He admitted, under cross examination, that he believed Mr. Rodrigues would know that he was doing wrong while in a temper, but still he would not hold him entirely responsible.

Dr. Carlos de Mello Leitao said that he considered Mr. Rodrigues was easily angered, and he felt sure that he had no intention of killing Dr. Nolasco, though he might have wanted to hurt him. He felt that he was impulsive and easily provoked.

Dr. Cassiano Fonseca, as a physician, said that he did not believe Mr. Rodrigues was quite normal, and very likely did certain things not of his own volition. He felt inclined to classify him as a sick man.

Dr. Gomes dos Santos also gave his opinion as a physician that Mr. Rodrigues was not normal at all, and was certainly suffering from some mental ailment which led him to do things unconsciously. He could not suggest any treatment for the ailment, which might give no signs for a long time, even for years, and suddenly break out, under stress.

The opinions expressed by the physicians in this case have given rise to considerable discussion in the town, and the next hearing of the case, on October 29, is looked forward to with more than ordinary interest. —Our Own Correspondent.

American War Files Destroyed

Fire Breaks Out In U.S. War Offices

Washington, Oct. 30. A fire started at 4 a.m. in the Munitions Building, housing the office of the Secretary of War and most of the War Department, also the Bureau of Secret Military Information. It is reported to have started in the code room.

Hundreds lined the streets and watched eight Maryland (Virginia) fire companies help all the available Washington apparatus to battle the flames, which, by 4.50 a.m., had already burned three wings of the building and had set fire to a fourth.

The Chief of Staff, Brigadier-General George C. Marshall, arrived and called out 500 soldiers to aid in removing the contents, while 25 fire engines did their utmost to prevent the fire spreading to the section of the building housing the Navy Department.

Although firemen feared that the contents of the Code Room were already destroyed, the Chief of that department, Major Edward French, personally pleaded with them to do their utmost to save the contents.

House crews were stationed on the roof of a former apartment building housing the Selective Service Headquarters directly across the street to avert the danger of sparks setting it on fire. Officials prepared to remove the conscription records if necessary.

The fire was eventually brought under control after it had destroyed an undetermined number of documents and files, but the Code Room was not damaged.

"A complete investigation will be made," declared General Marshall. "We will not miss any possible cause." —United Press.

Reservists Going Back To Sea

Americans In Colony Called Up

A number of well-known Americans in the Colony, who are members of the United States Navy Reserve, have been called up for service and are expected to leave shortly by the U.S.S. Asheville to report to the Commandant of the 10th Naval District for assignment.

The men are H. L. ("Jim") Akers, manager of the Palace Hotel Bar; James H. ("Chuck") Connor, manager of the Black Dog cafe, Hennessy Road; William Gunn, Jr., V. H. ("Dutch") Lingenbrink; E. R. ("Red") Sammons, manager of Gingle's Cafe, Gloucester Road; Arthur P. ("Red") Thomson, manager of the London Cafe, Lockhart Road; Shelby N. Vance, retired Chief Radioman, now operating a radio store in the Colony; Peter F. ("Pete") Zech, manager of Mincei Cafe, Nathan Road.

It is understood five of the men will be doing shore duty and Thomson will be taken on as a ship's cook. It is officially stated that the calling up of the reservists does not represent any extraordinary situation.

BLINDED AIRMAN Saves Plane

Flying Officer G. N. S. Cleaver, wounded in both eyes during an air battle, refused to abandon his plane. His base had been bombed, he had led his section with great determination and courage, and had destroyed one of the attacking aircraft. After he had been wounded, he made a successful landing. He has been awarded the D.F.C.



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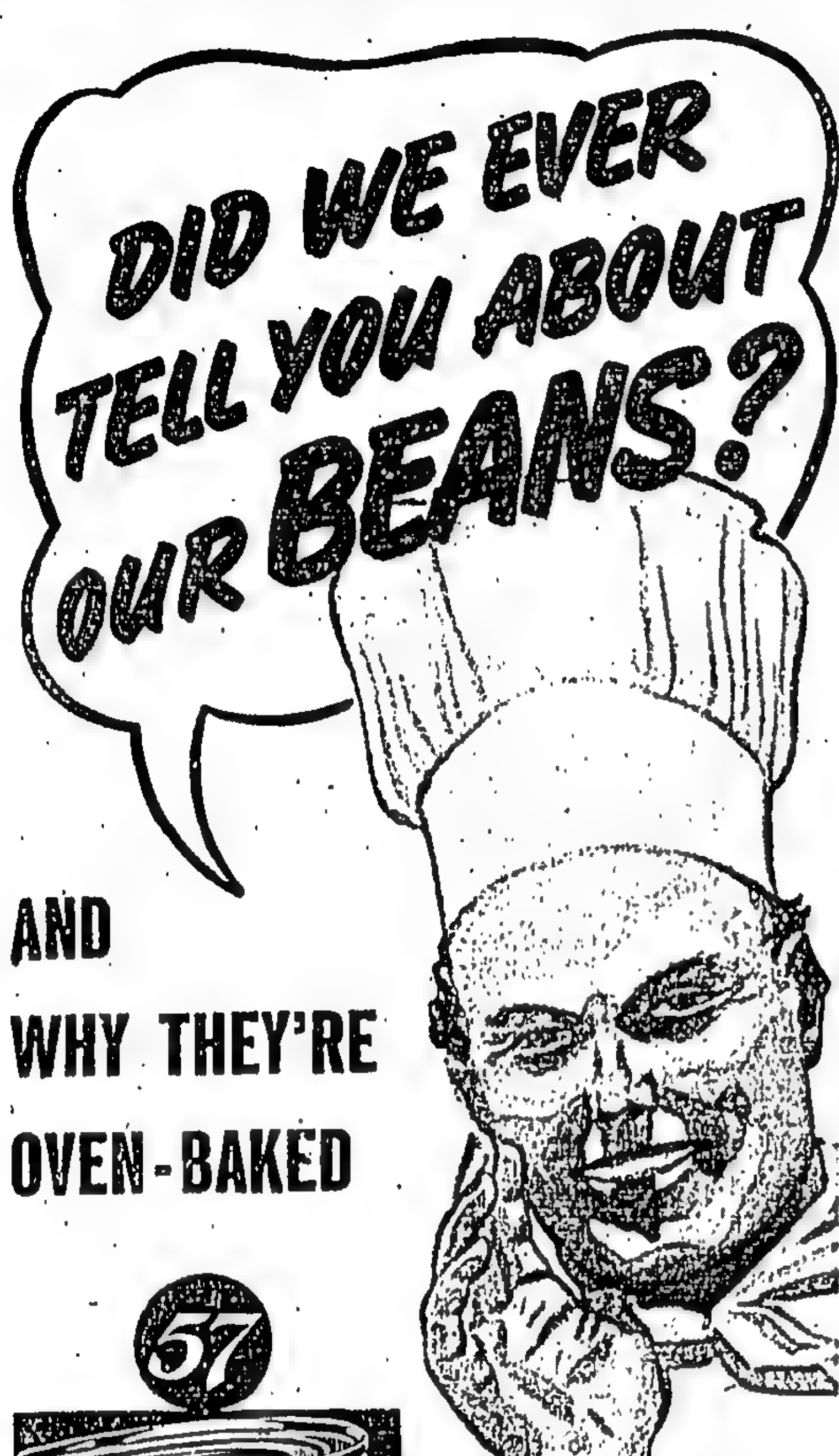
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MISSING SECRET DOCUMENT

Officials of the Cleethorpes (Lincolnshire) Council have reported the loss of a highly confidential document and requested the Home Office to make an immediate recovery. The document was issued secretly some time ago, it is stated, to a former fire chief and he was the only person locally who knew of its existence. When a new chief took over recently, he found it missing. A local councillor added that the loss of the document was known to certain persons but no action had been taken.



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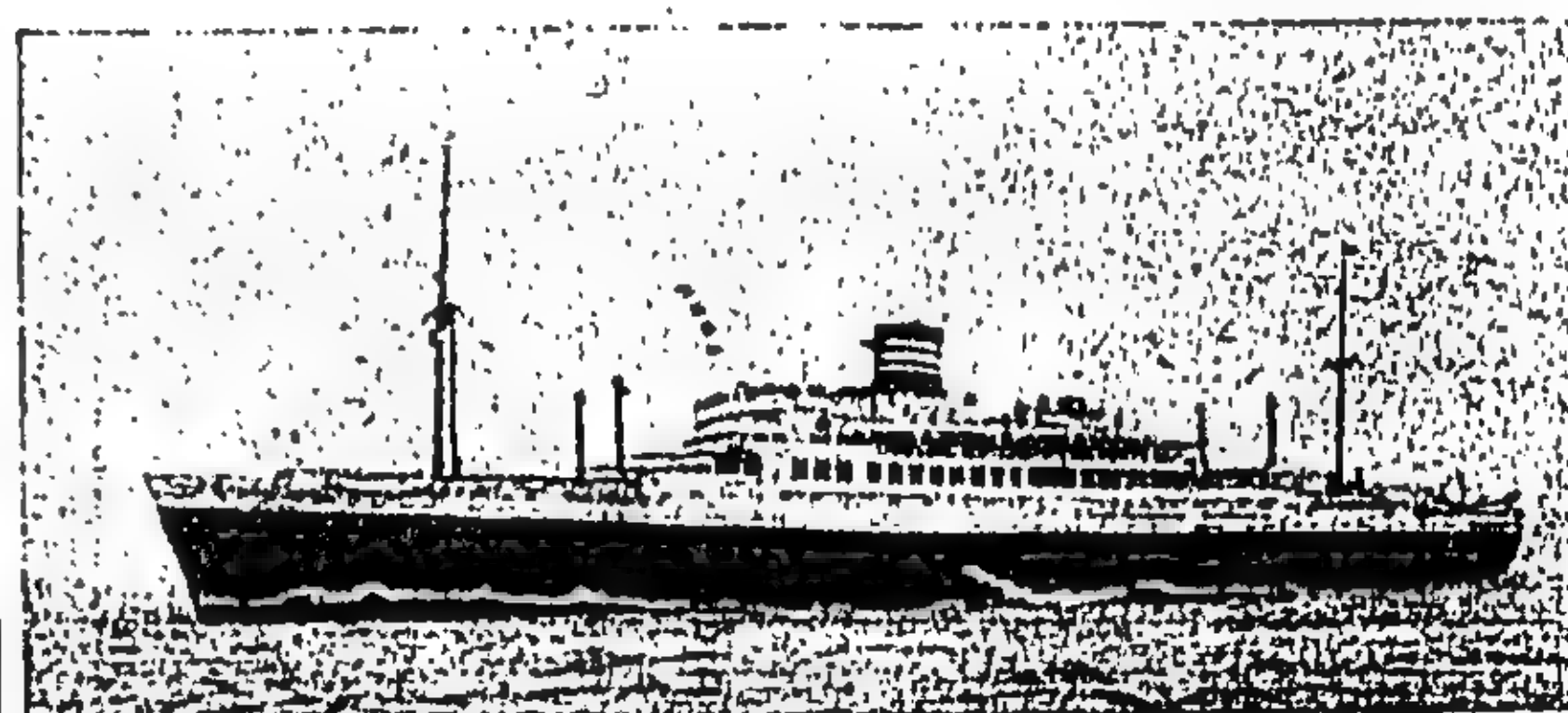
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NAZIS GNAW AT VITALS OF DEFEATED FRENCH

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—How France has suffered under German occupation is revealed in a statement by the Ministry of Economic Warfare which says that at least 800,000 tons of wheat have been removed to Germany from Occupied France.

Bread is now rationed in France at 87 ounces per week. Meat is rationed at 12½ ounces per week in France but in Germany it is 17 to 20 ounces.

More than 1,000,000 pigs are believed to have been removed from France to Germany during one fortnight in September alone. One thousand cattle were also removed.

The average consumption of butter and oil per head in France before was 17 kilos but now it is reduced to five to six kilos.

Sugar Beet Lost
About 80 per cent. of the French sugar beet crop has been lost owing to the fighting in North France. French wines have been requisitioned by the Germans and one French firm alone has delivered 12,000,000 bottles of champagne to Germany.

Transport has largely broken down in France because trucks and locomotives have been taken to Germany, and lorry transport is at a standstill owing to the shortage of petrol.

Heavy Fighting On The Greek Frontier

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activities restricted to local contacts. In the course of yesterday the enemy employed powerful forces of light and heavy artillery. Our movements were carried out in accordance with previously agreed plans. The situation in western Macedonia is unchanged. Activity by enemy aircraft is very slight.

Frontier Guns Bark
BELGRADE, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Cannonading was clearly heard to-day near Lake Prespa at the junction of the Greek-Albanian-Yugoslav frontiers.

Heavy Italian concentrations are reported at Voca.

The attack is believed to be directed towards Florina where mountains and bad weather are unfavourable for operations.

Athens Raid Alarm
ATHENS, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—An air raid alarm, lasting half an hour, was sounded at 4.20 p.m.

There was no gunfire.

When the warning was sounded in Athens to-day, the public reached shelter quicker than on occasion of the former alarms, having been impressed by the casualties at Patras which were largely caused by sight-seers remaining in the streets.

It is now learned authoritatively that 100 were killed and 200 wounded at Patras.

Greeks Join Up
BELGRADE, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Observers on the frontier state that fields on the Greek side are deserted as the result of the departure of all able-bodied men to join their units.

All these men, it is added, departed with a song on their lips.

All railway traffic across the frontier has been suspended pending mobilisation.

Hitler's Revenge: Imposes War Guilt
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Marshal emphasised that he went to the meeting of his own free will and had "entered the road of collaboration" without pressure.

The interview was only possible through the French people's dignity in the face of their ordeal and their continued efforts towards regeneration be continued.

"France has rallied. This meeting between the victor and the vanquished signified the first vindication of our country. I have been under no duress by Hitler or our two countries was considered. I accepted the principles of it and the application will be discussed later."

As an admonition "to all who are inclined to deviate from our opinions" and "those who doubt and harden their hearts" the Marshal said that the first duty of Frenchmen is to trust.

What Future Holds
"In the near future our country's suffering may thus be lightened, our prisoners' lot improved, the burden of occupation expenses lessened, the demarcation line may be rendered more flexible and the administration and provisioning of territory facilitated."

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HEAVY FIGHTING ON THE GREEK FRONTIER: SLOW PENETRATION

ITALIANS BOMB CORINTH CANAL

Greek Retreat Is Denied

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
DIKOVICA, Oct. 30 (UP)—Three waves of five Italian planes each are reported to have bombed the Corinth canal this afternoon when they inflicted damage on only one house.

The General Headquarters of the Army Staff at Athens today denied the foreign reports that the Italians have driven the Greeks back thirty miles in the Isthmus sector.

Ciano's New Move
ROME, Oct. 30 (UP)—Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, has left for Athens to discuss the Italian Government in connection with the conflict between Italy and Greece, according to reliable sources here.

It is also reported that Mussolini may leave for Triana within the next few days but in any case he will be in Italy by the end of next week when he is expected to receive M. Laval in connection with the possible peace terms between France and the Axis.

Nazis Don't Want Extension Of War

BERLIN, Oct. 30 (UP)—"Germany has no interest in the expansion of war," declared authorized German quarters referring to the Italy-Greek conflict here today.

They declared the Italian move is intended to block the British efforts to expand the war "in which Italy's decision is Germany's also."

Expert On War Outlines

Japan To Play Part

BUCHAREST, Oct. 30 (UP)—The distribution of British forces in Asia and the Colonies "necessitates two vast manoeuvres against England," according to Director P. Sclerou in an editorial in the "Currentul," written in Rome where he is visiting.

One manoeuvre will be in the Pacific and the other on the road to India he says, adding that the former "explains the role of the Berlin-Tokyo-Rome agreement."

The editorial which carries the title "New Phase of War" states "the military problem of the Axis Powers now is the occupation of all petroleum regions in Iraq, Iran and the Suez Canal which would be such a blow to England that it would limit America's intervention in the Pacific."

HELSINKI, Oct. 30 (UP)—The grand defender of Finland, Field Marshal Mannerheim, is seriously ill with gastric ulcers.

Costly Gains for Italians: Badly Beaten in One Clash

Special to the "Telegraph"

REPORTS RECEIVED FROM "UNITED PRESS" CORRESPONDENTS INDICATE THAT SERIOUS FIGHTING IS TAKING PLACE IN THE DIS-
TORCA ON THE ALBANIAN-GREEK FRONTIER, WHILE THE ITALIANS ARE SAID TO HAVE OCCUPIED THE GREEK TOWNS OF BREZNICA AND JANARI.

ARTILLERY COULD BE HEARD ALL DAY YESTERDAY AND LAST NIGHT IN THE DIRECTION OF KORCA.

The Italians are reported to have captured Janari after a heavy battle lasting two hours. The town fell late on Tuesday afternoon.

Seven Greeks were killed and 20 wounded, while Italian losses are claimed to have been much heavier.

FRONTIER PORT FALLS, REPORT

Italian troops are reported to have occupied the frontier port of Smernes at dawn on Wednesday. The advance from Janari has been hampered by strong Greek resistance and the absence of any good roads in Greek territory.

According to reports from the Yugo-Slavian frontier an Italian detachment from the Albanian frontier town of Nikolica yesterday morning succeeded in crossing the border, but lost 60 killed and 89 wounded and were badly defeated by Greek troops from Pilkal, Slimnica and Fusima. Three Greeks were wounded in this engagement.

ARTILLERY DUEL AT SAIADI

Italian troops on the Greek-Albanian border near the Albanian town of Konispoli on Tuesday night opened fire with mountain artillery against the small Greek port of Saiadi where Greek artillery immediately replied and a four-hour duel ensued.

A Greek gunboat at Saiadi also took part in the fight.

It is reported that approximately 3,500 well-armed Albanian rebels are persistently attacking Italian posts and detachments in Albania near the Greek frontier.

Twenty Italian planes took part in the bombing of the Athens airport at Tatoi on Tuesday evening. The damage was not serious.

The main Italian attack is apparently directed against Lerina. Gunfire was audible there

all day on Tuesday.

ATTACK ON GIB. SHIPPING Official Version

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

GIBRALTAR, Oct. 30 (UP)—Italians to-day attempted to sink British ships in Gibraltar harbour with a special device.

The following announcement was made by local British naval authorities:

"This morning an abortive attempt was made by Italian naval officers to torpedo ships in the harbour with a special device.

"One torpedo exploded harmlessly at the harbour entrance and another ran ashore in Spanish territory."

There are unconfirmed reports that the Greeks are concentrating in the Prepan Lake region in the mountains between the villages of Nivica and Saint Peter. Further reports state that the Greeks are pushing the Italians towards Korca to which the Italians are rushing reinforcements.

Yugo-Slav Frontier Closed

Bad weather for the past 48 hours throughout Albania has limited aerial operations. The Yugo-Slavia frontier is now closed to railway traffic, presumably because Greece needs locomotives and rolling stock for the transport of troops.

According to a message from Djakovica on the Yugo-Slavian border, the Italians have occupied the Greek town of Breznica on the frontier between Greece and Albania—an important strategic road junction.

Twenty-three Greeks are said to have been killed and 40 wounded, while Italian losses were 42 killed and 60 wounded.

Greek Communiqué

An official Greek communiqué issued at Athens yesterday stated: "The night of October 28 saw

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British Rain Bombs On Night Targets

FLY OVER REICH IN SNOWSTORMS

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter)—For over 100 miles before reaching Germany, British bomber airmen had to fly blind through a raging snowstorm as well as intense anti-aircraft fire.

Using numerous parachute flares the airmen found their targets in the city's centre, including large electrical works and bombed them despite the thick snow.

One pilot said that a great quantity of snow penetrated the cockpit and covered his instruments, as well as himself. "I felt like a flying snowman."

Oil Supply Centres

The atrocious weather had the paradoxical effect of increasing the diversity of R.A.F. attacks.

Oil supply centres were the chief objectives, but the planes, which encountered excessively bad weather, were deflected elsewhere. Thus in addition to objectives mentioned earlier, oil refineries at Leuna and Gelsenkirchen were bombed.

Krupps Visited

Industrial plants at Leipzig and the Krupp Works at Essen received a further visitation while a direct hit was scored on a river bridge at Stralsund.

Other aircraft, unable to locate their primary objectives, dropped heavy bombs on Ruhr railway junctions and others farther north and east, thus complicating communications between the highly industrialised western regions and the remainder of Germany.

Within ten minutes of the attack on a canal and goodsyard at Munster, a great blaze broke out in aerodromes, of which 29 were bombed.

VICHY, Oct. 30 (Reuter)—M. Pierre Laval is again in Paris, where he is remaining until the week-end, according to the newspaper "Petit Parisien."

U. S. FLEET NEAR MARTINIQUE

Knox Declines To Explain

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (Reuter)—The mysterious departure under sealed orders of five United States destroyers, 17 bombers and one seaplane tender from Key West led to much speculation which was heightened when Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, smilingly refused to state their destination.

When a mercy ship, carrying 321 British children to Canada was some miles off the English coast recently, the vessel was attacked by a U-boat and torpedoed. But not a single child was harmed, and the youngsters, singing popular and patriotic songs, were later landed at a British port. Here we see some of the rescued evacuees as they landed after their ordeal at a west coast port.

LATEST

Love Tragedy Of C. N. A. C. Shooting

CHUNGKING, Oct. 31 (Reuter)—Miss Lu Mei-ying, airline hostess was among the nine killed when the C.N.A.C. airliner was shot down by Japanese on Tuesday. Four were injured.

Miss Lu was making her last trip. She had resigned to marry in Hongkong and was due to finish work tomorrow.

The death of the Pilot, Mr. W. C. Kent, an American, is confirmed.

Miss Lu Mei-ying, the stewardess of the C.N.A.C. Douglas plane "Chungking," succumbed to her wounds according to information from the Hongkong C.N.A.C. office.

Miss Lu, 26, a native of Nanking, studied in the Ginling College, formerly in Nanking. She took the pre-nursing course in Yenching University, Peiping, and the nursing course in the Peking Union Medical College, Peiping.

The C.N.A.C. is the only Chinese aviation company employing air hostesses. It enrolled four girls last April 15 to serve as air hostesses.

Rumour is busy suggesting that the ships are bound for French Martinique, where differences between pro-Vichy and anti-Vichy partisans is reported to be nearing a climax.

While the five destroyers are inadequate to seize the island if the French Navy offers resistance, it is known that other American units, including new cruisers, are in the Porto Rico region.

Ultimatum To Turkey Denied

BERLIN, Oct. 30 (UP)—Authorized German circles categorically deny a report that an ultimatum has been sent to Turkey.

Papen To Report To Berlin

ISTANBUL, Oct. 30 (Reuter)—Herr Franz von Papen, the German Ambassador to Turkey, has left Ankara for Istanbul where he is stated to be proceeding immediately to Berlin.

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NOEL COWARD COULD NOT LAND IN JAPAN

Special to the "Telegraph"

YOKOHAMA, Oct. 31 (Domei)—The Matson liner Monterey, 13,017 tons, the first American evacuee ship, sailed for Shanghai at 3 o'clock this morning, seven hours later than schedule.

The number of evacuees was also larger than first announced, 68 Americans, mostly women and children boarding the vessel last night.

Mr. F. W. Ayers, superintendent of the Ford Motor Assembly Factory, sailed with his family. Mr. Joseph C. Grew, the American

Ambassador, visited the ship with his wife at noon yesterday and remained aboard, conversing with Mr. Noel Coward, British playwright, who was among the 116 passengers who arrived on the Monterey but were prevented from landing—lacking visas.

It is recalled that the American Consulate-General announced that Monterey would have accommodation for 425 evacuees from Yokohama.

Hitler's Revenge: Imposes War Guilt Clause Upon France

Special to the "Telegraph"

BERLIN, Oct. 30 (UP)—Authoritative circles declared that Hitler's conversations with Marshal Petain and M. Laval resulted in no formal agreements but they discussed the fundamental questions of France's future.

They said that three points were mutually recognized: "firstly, that France declared war; secondly, that France lost the war; and, thirdly, that France must pay her share of the costs of war."

The motif of the conversations with the French were "responsibility in the future of Europe." They added that Spain is also "spiritually joined to the team for the reorganization of Europe in community with the Axis Powers."

Only An Armistice

VICHY, Oct. 30 (UP)—Marshal Petain said he had already begun the

policy of collaboration, although the details remain to be worked out. He said he went freely to meet Hitler who imposed no conditions and no specific dates.

In a radio speech to the nation at 5.45 p.m., the Marshal announced that he hoped that the inter-zone boundary line would be rendered more flexible and that the condition

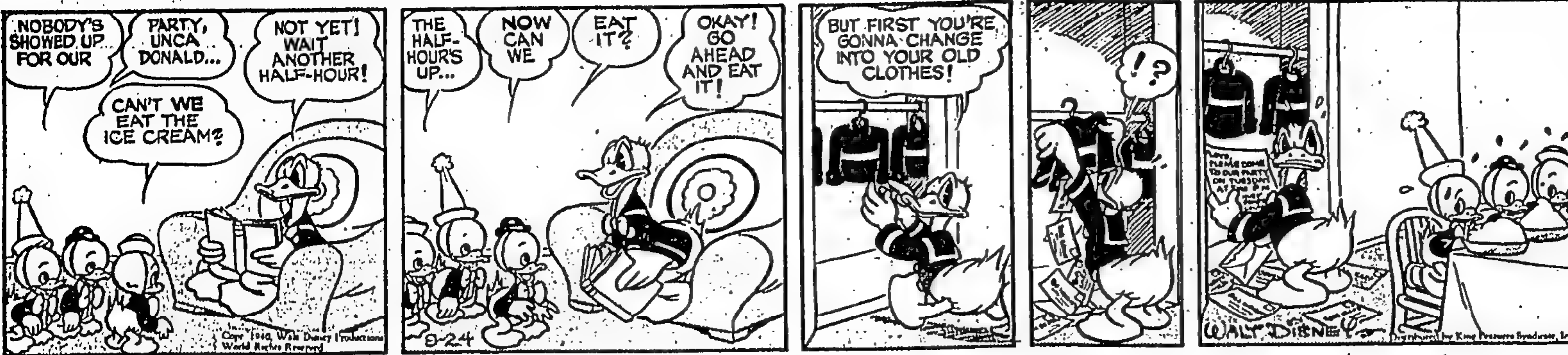
of the war prisoners would be improved soon, but he warned that "the armistice is not peace."

Petain's Story

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter)—Marshal Petain gave a personal account over the Lyons Radio to-night of his meeting with Hitler. The

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AXIS POWERS HOPING FOR CHEAP VICTORY IN WAR AGAINST GREECE

REPORTS EMANATING FROM SOFIA THAT GREECE AND ITALY HAD SIGNED AN ARMISTICE CANNOT GAIN CONFIRMATION IN ANY OFFICIAL QUARTERS EITHER IN ROME, BERLIN, ATHENS OR LONDON, BUT, ACCORDING TO "REUTER'S" DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT, IT APPEARS THAT ITALY IS HOPING THAT GREECE WILL GIVE WAY TO MORAL PRESSURE, BACKED BY MILITARY THREAT.

The fact that the German Minister remains in Athens would seem to confirm that the Axis partners are still hoping to win a cheap victory.

On the other hand Greek reaction has hitherto been exceptionally strong and wholesome, and backed by the might of Britain, Greece will give the Italians plenty of trouble.

TROOPS RUSHING TO FRONT

Athens reports that buses, loaded to capacity with soldiers on their way to the front, crowds waiting all day outside the headquarters of the General Staff for an opportunity to cheer the King or General Metaxas were typical scenes in the Greek capital yesterday.

The population has accepted the strict black-out regulations cheerfully in spite of the fact that on Tuesday night the authorities took the drastic step of cutting off all electric current except that required for essential services.

The completion of mobilisation in Greece is rendered difficult for geographic reasons, but staff work done under General Metaxas' guidance before the hostilities began is bearing fruit, and plans are being smoothly carried out.

The police are continuing to comb out suspects.

British Mine Greek Waters

A London message says that the mining of strategic Greek waters is announced by the British Admiralty. On the west all waters have been rendered dangerous east of a line drawn roughly round the west coasts of the islands of Levkas, Cephalonia and Zante (in the Ionian Sea) and thence to Cape Katakolo on the Greek mainland.

This means that the Gulfs of Patras and Corinth and the approaches to the Saronic Gulf are now closed to enemy shipping.

The Gulf of Corinth bites deeply into the Greek mainland, and an isthmus only a few miles wide separates its head from the Gulf of Aegina.

The principal port in the Gulf of Aegina is Piraeus, which serves Athens.

"United Press" and "Reuter" messages.

Strategic Points

(BY "REUTER'S" MILITARY CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Oct. 30.—The advance of a large Italian force on Salonika might render long communication lines vulnerable to hostile Albanians.

Italian Trepidation Over New Nazi Pact

ZURICH, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—The one inescapable fact emerging from its news from both Berlin and Rome is that recent events have compelled Hitler to adopt the unaccustomed role of "appeaser," but whether with better effect than the appeasers of yesterday is still conjectural.

Having in the first place failed in his attempt to persuade Italy to sacrifice her territorial claims against France, Hitler is faced with further Italian recalcitrance in opposing any active or passive assistance by France in a war which Mussolini feared might entitle Petain to equal partnership with Italy in Germany's "new order."

Then came Hitler's hasty visit to Florence which was followed by significantly soothing German newspaper paragraphs like those in the "Zellung" which asserted that while France had been offered participation in the "A" system if she broke with Britain, Germany promised nothing regarding later peace.

Thereafter the Italian press was noticeably calmer.

Political observers deduce, therefore, that though Italian claims may be put in the background while "appeasement" is directed to France, Germany has assured Italy that her claims will have due consideration later.

The conclusions drawn, therefore, are:

(1) The Germans' new offer to France is more generous than the original offer.

(2) France is left uncertain whether a temporary peace will be modified later to satisfy Italy.

(3) France's bargaining position depends upon Britain's resistance.

Hence discussion of a detailed execution of a Franco-German agreement may proceed less smoothly than first expected.

Anxiety of Rome

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Italy's anxiety over the arrangement which Hitler has been trying to make with the Vichy Government is clearly reflected in a Berlin dispatch to the official Italian news agency to-day.

The dispatch suggests that the Italians have successfully objected to any Franco-German settlement which would deprive Italy of the fruits of victory in exchange for French aid against Britain.

Quoting authoritative German quarters, it says that in the Hitler talks with Laval and Petain, "not only was no formal agreement reached but no special problem was even discussed."

War Guilt

The talks, it adds, were solely concerned with the "general plan of the part which France wishes to play in the new European order following the Axis victory."

Air Training Plan Ahead Of Schedule

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—The Empire Air Training Scheme, designed to produce 20,000 pilots and 30,000 aircrews annually when in full operation, is already months ahead of schedule, declared Viscount Cranborne, the Dominions Secretary, speaking in London to-day.

Canada and Australia, he said, each had 30,000 men trained or training.

Canadian destroyers were co-operating with the British Navy, and the Australian Navy in the Mediterranean and the Red Sea was doing magnificent work.

"In the Middle East, forces from South Africa, as well as from Southern Rhodesia and other parts of Africa, stand alongside our own troops to defeat the Italian foe."

Thousands Rally

"Elsewhere in the same area, Australians and New Zealanders are massing while thousands of Canadians are in Britain eager to deal faithfully with Hitler's Common-wealth."

Never had the British Commonwealth been more important than to-day, Lord Cranborne declared. In the storm now shaking the foundations of the world, the British Empire stood like a rock against which winds and waves broke without weakening its essential strength.

BALKAN MINISTERS MEET IN CAIRO

BOON OF TURKISH POLICY

CAIRO, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Ministers representing the Balkan States met at the Egyptian Ministry for Foreign Affairs on Tuesday in order to discuss the situation arising from the Italian invasion of Greece.

The Turkish Minister, M. Sevk Alhan, is understood to have declared that Turkey is in complete agreement with Britain regarding present and future action.

He added that Turkey's non-participation in the hostilities for the present might well be favourable to the general situation rather than her participation.

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U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2%
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MORE U.S. AID INDICATED

NEW YORK, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt will probably announce a major step forward in the policy of increasing aid to Britain when he speaks at a White House luncheon, according to a White House official accompanying the President on his election campaign tour.

Roosevelt Campaign

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ABOARD THE Presidential Train to Boston, Oct. 30 (UP).—President Roosevelt opened his third term drive in New England to-day by condemning the injection of fear into the campaign.

He told the rain-drenched crowd at New Haven, Connecticut, that "all this talk about sending American boys to Europe does not conform to the facts of the past nor the facts of the future."

Referring to Greek-Italian hostilities, the President said that despite the extending theatre of war, the United States had "been able to keep clear," and added that the United States had now started to muster her manpower to show her determination to keep clear.

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GERMAN RAIDERS BEATEN BACK

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).

Enemy raider formations which attempted a surprise daylight attack under cover of banks of dense clouds over the south-east coast area to-day, were again foiled by British fighters.

As they flew in from the sea, R.A.F. machines closed with them and scattered them in disorder and retreat.

Reports received up to 4 p.m. G.M.T. show that five aircraft were destroyed to-day and that four British fighters are missing.

It was officially announced to-night that two more enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday, making a total of 30 shot down during the day.

German Communiqué

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—A German High Command communiqué broadcast stated that bomber units have again dropped numerous bombs on London and other military objectives in the south of England, such as the naval harbour of Portsmouth, and that the munition dump in Great Yarmouth was also bombed with success.

Two ships were hit off Ramsgate. Italian planes participated in these operations.

"The enemy yesterday lost 47 planes. Seventeen German planes are missing."

Bag Groups

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Seven enemy aircraft have been destroyed so far to-day and four British planes are missing, according to the latest official statement.

New Coastal Barrage

LONDON, Oct. 30 (UP).—There was light sporadic gunfire at the commencement of the first night alarm and planes were audible in the distance above the clouds at 7.30 a.m.

Raiders were over a north-west town and Liverpool at 7 p.m. The raid started as on last night when the heavy new barrage on the south-east coast, belt extending ten miles inland was credited with surprising the raiders who were using their usual "lanes" in their approach on London, driving back many who scattered their bombs in the fields before flight.

Midnight Lull

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Oct. 31 (UP).—There was a lull in the raids on London at midnight and for two hours not even gunfire has been heard.

So far about half a dozen places in and around the London area have reported bombings. A number of raiders were over south-east England at frequent intervals earlier last night when all bombs and high explosives were dropped on coastal villages.

AMERICA ACQUIRES NEW AUXILIARY FLEET

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (UP).—Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy announced to-day that the Navy Department had acquired 31 fleet auxiliary vessels to supplement the fleet based at Hawaii for service anywhere in the Pacific.

He said these vessels would be used in connection with the operations of the fleet including any manoeuvres in Philippine waters. The majority of the ships are oil tankers and supply ships, eleven of which are rated as principal ships, raising the total of principal auxiliaries to 22, the majority of which are large, fast tankers.

Colonel Knox said the fleet train is already sufficient to serve well in an "emergency" but will be increased to serve at any of the United States territories in an emergency. He said the newly acquired ships would be based at Hawaii, but will ply between there and the mainland for some time.

Marines To Stay In Shanghai

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (UP).—Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, denied to-day that the United States Marines at Shanghai will be removed to either Manila or Honolulu.

New Fleet Details

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (UP).—The acquisition of auxiliary vessels

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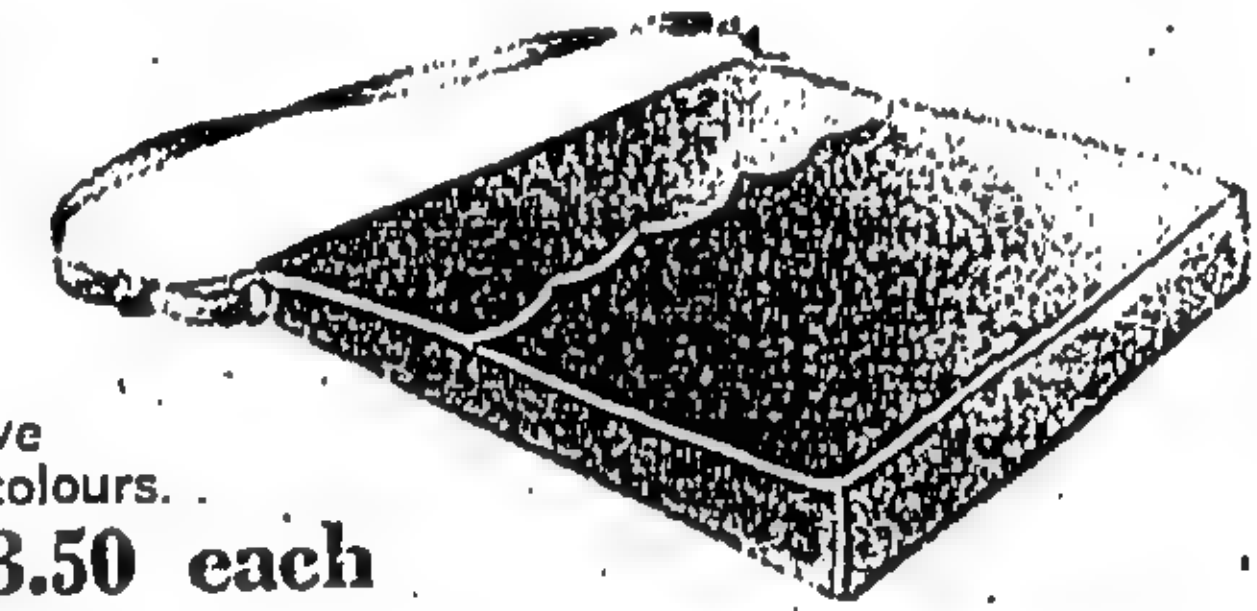
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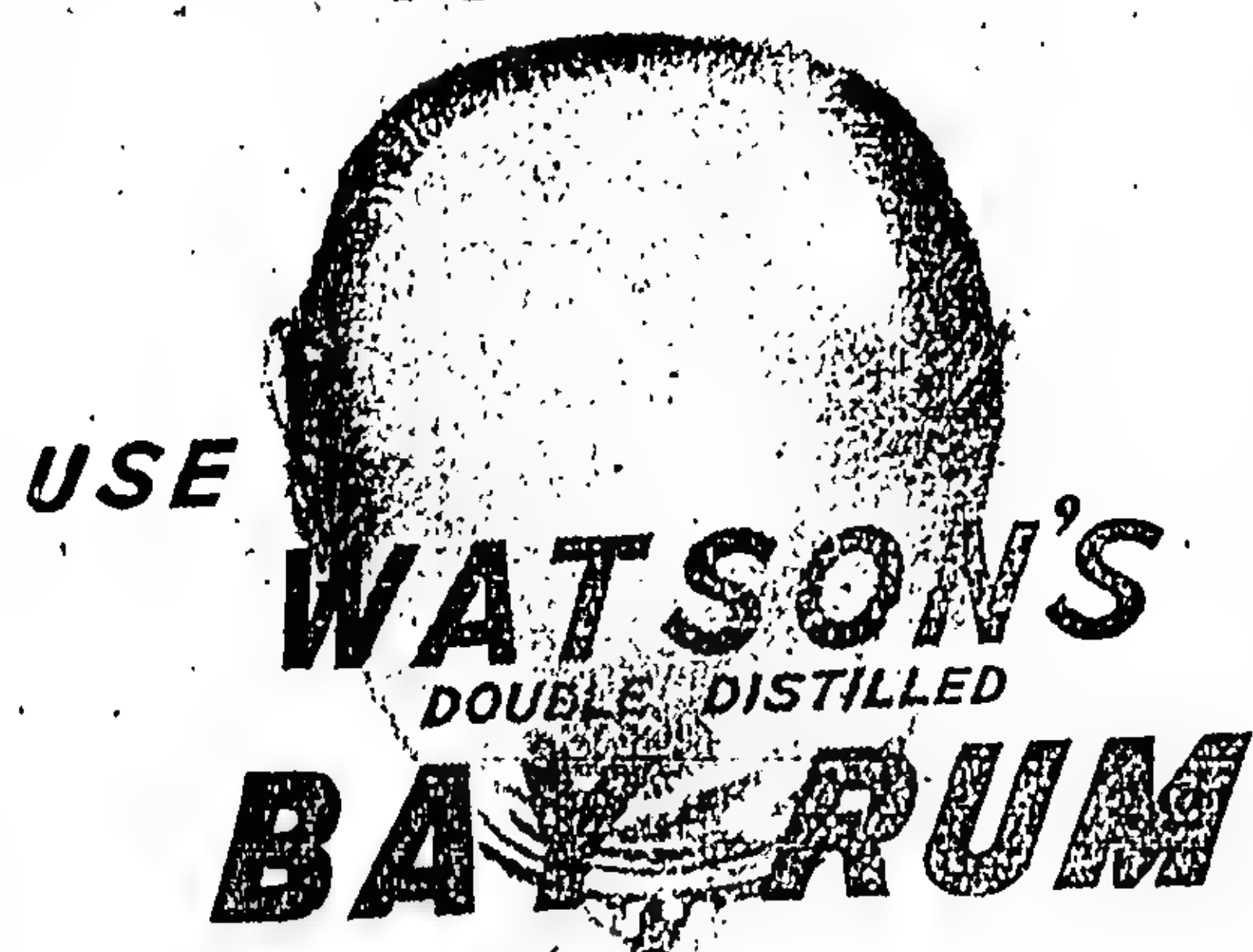
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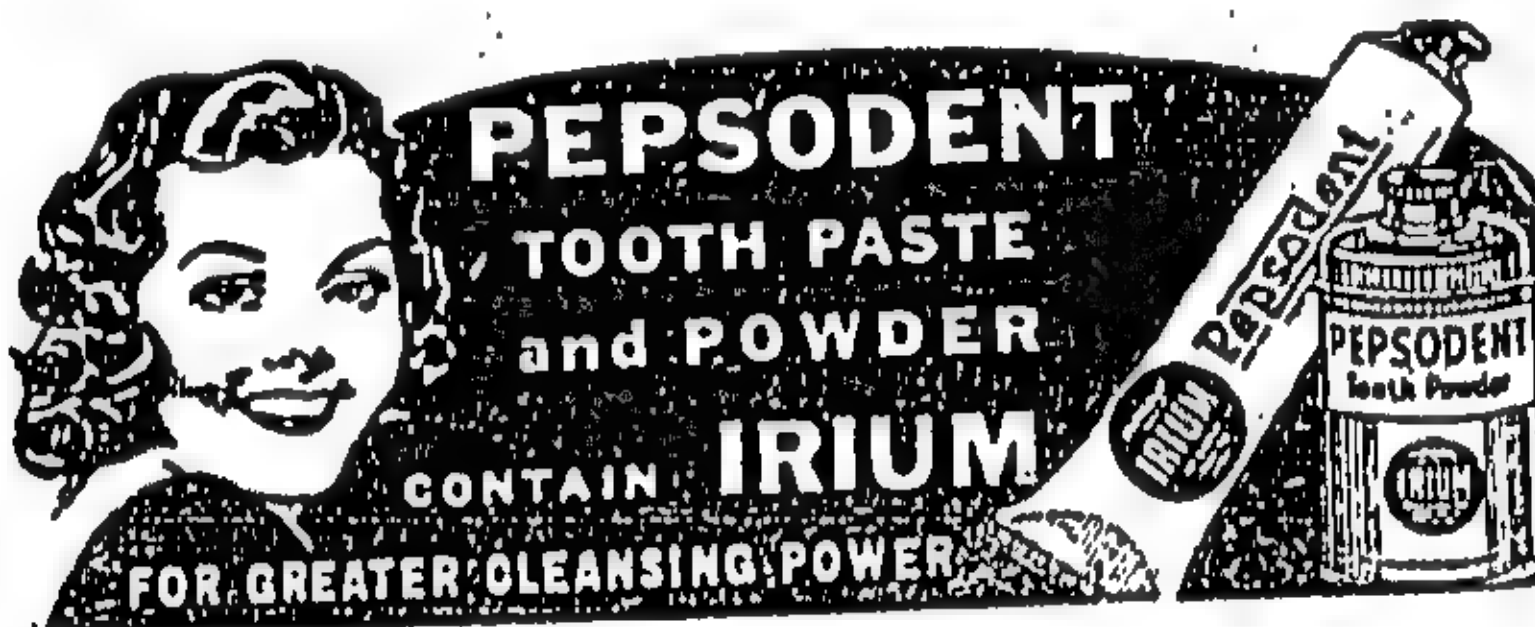


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Signs of the Times
 The rumblings of discontent within over the costly China Incident have long been audible to the outside world despite rigorous efforts to suppress them; the complaints come not so much from the mute and pliant masses who have so willingly become cannon fodder and made such big sacrifices in what appears to be a lost cause, but from financial, industrial and political leaders who realise that they are playing a losing gamble.

The changed attitude of Britain and the United States towards Japan's Far East machinations has, undoubtedly, contributed towards persuading Japan to modify her grandiloquent strutting in the Orient, but the signs are that the most potent factor has been the comparative failure of her war machine in China. Tokyo's new attempts to reach peace terms with Chungking are not prompted by a desire to avoid further aggravation of the United States and Britain, so much as a tacit admission that her people are war weary and the country's resources are getting low. Japan's apologists will find it hard to delude the Japanese people about the withdrawal from Nanking, especially as the city fell into the hands of the Chinese within 24 hours; the answer is patently clear.

The sudden cessation of the Japanese advance along the north Indo-China frontier; the half-hearted attempts to prevent the Burma Road from being re-operated; the repudiation of Wang Ching-wel, and the recall of General Abe. All these are patterned events and all lead to one verdict: that Japan is utterly tired of the futility of her adventures in China; that she cannot face the prospect of interminable hostilities which are draining her economic and financial resources to the point of exhaustion; and that she has cut her losses and is withdrawing.

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France To-day is a Dull Indifferent Nation

A problem for all who think about it is how to explain the amazing mental attitude which seems to prevail to-day in France. Most Frenchmen seem to regard the total collapse of their country with a resignation that has the appearance of indifference.

They are, indeed, dazed by the rapidity of the collapse, but register no violent reaction to so great and unexpected a shock.

Soldiers in considerable numbers are being demobilised and returning home, and so, it is felt, the catastrophe cannot be too appalling. The German propaganda machine is working on this state of mind.

The R.A.F. attacks upon the aerodromes in the occupied region are used as evidence that the British, who have already deserted their Ally, are now making direct onslaughts on the Frenchman's home.

There is little interest among the ordinary people in the manoeuvres of the Petain Government. The Marshal himself is not looked upon with any enthusiasm. His achievements as a soldier in the last War are generally recognised, but his last-minute entry into politics makes little stir in the Frenchman's heart.

On the other hand Laval, who has never been popular, excites almost general distaste. It would appear that Doriot is the only public figure who inspires any confidence at the moment, and that is because he is thought to be a man of the people.

Few realise that it is Abetz, a man who was asked to leave France only a year ago for his anti-French activities, who now rules France. His orders are given at the frequent dinners which he enjoys with Laval in Paris, dinners which are matters of public comment and the objects of which little effort is made to conceal.

Vichy, for a nation which has reached the nadir in its history, gives an excellent picture of a certain French state of mind. Naturally the place is crowded, and it is full of refugees from occupied France, as well as French officers, immaculately accoutred, and political aspirants.

They crowd the cafes, hotels, and boulevards. The refugees and officers are enjoying the calm and the mild pleasures of life as they find it. The aspirants are busily fishing in the stirring political pool in the hope of finding an agreeable job.

There is adequate food for those who can afford to buy it, always provided that you are not a butter lover or do not expect to find a wide selection of luxuries in the shops.

Here is little evidence that France has suffered one of the greatest defeats in her history.

Outside the boundaries of this temporary capital, food is not so plentiful, yet in a minor degree the same spirit of indifference exists. The men are returning fairly quickly to their homes and to the harvest which have been in many cases delayed by inattention. But it is hard to discover any serious attempt to meet the formidable problems which are threatening the Vichy Government.

The opinion is often expressed that occupied France is in a much better shape, in spite of all the devastation.

Next to the ill-fated decision to move south of the Great Wall, the biggest blunder Japan committed during the past ten years was to sign the new armistice with heavy pilot losses. For, committed technically though she Air Force tends to conceal from the world her military and other aid serving officer and man all accurate knowledge of casualties.

The squadrons do not operate as units; a few planes from squadrons are sent to various parts of the country to make up the German battle flights. Further, the German Air Force is certainly not entirely spontaneous. A similar loss is observed in most of the Press in unoccupied France. It may not have any great effect upon the feeling of admiration for British R.A.F. fighting qualities, the squadron as a whole believed implicitly in the Ger-

man's for many reasons are trying to whip into shape that part of the country which has fallen into their sphere of influence.

Their problem is especially serious. North of Paris there exists a desert. Towns like Abbeville, Amiens, Cambrai, Arras, and scores of others are very largely destroyed, though in most places the churches and the cathedrals seem to be intact.

The villages are deserted, the farmsteads empty. Crops are rotting on the ground. The first wave of the German Army consumed everything. It was, in fact, until a week or two ago, a land of the dead, metaphorically and literally, since the corpses of men and animals still littered the ground.

Now the people are slowly creeping back, only to find that there is little to eat and less to do. Everywhere the first pick of what is going to the army of occupation, the second to those who work for their German masters, the scanty crumbs that remain are left for those who fulfil neither of these conditions.

Backing the Mark

Nevertheless some attempt is made to regulate on a fixed scale the inadequate amount of consumable goods which are available. There is no lack of cash—marks printed by the presses follow the troops.

These naturally are in the hands of the German soldiers and the folk who work for them, but they result in ready sales for anything on offer. The Germans have instituted a sort of Douglas social credit scheme upon which they base their mark-note issue. The backing for this spurious currency is said to be not the country's gold but the German mark-note issue.

As a temporary measure it may be all very fine, but marks printed, even with such a back, cannot produce the food and necessities of life which to be completed within a very few weeks.

Nor are the German Flying Corps adverse from going home to enjoy the laurels of their stupendous triumphs. This belief in their own superior qualities comes largely of intensive propaganda, since visible proof is too the blame in advance upon the British blockade. They have immense faith in propaganda, not so much in the food and necessities of life which are carried out with the greatest success, but as an excuse when necessary.

The German army is a propaganda machine as well as a fighting force. The storm troops, those who have been bombing on the gun emplacements and made victory so swiftly possible, are a propaganda machine to a man. They are a propaganda machine to a man. They are a propaganda machine to a man.

The closing of this coastal zone to a depth of from 20 to 30 miles inland is in part due to these raiding parties as well as to screen from prying eyes the concentrations which the Germans are making there. The people of this district are still mostly pro-British and consequently potential spies; peasants of Picardy and Artois have bravely helped British soldiers and others to escape, running grave risks themselves. To break down this feeling the Germans plan all they can to discredit the British.

British Prisoners

One case of refined cruelty was witnessed at Malines, where a body of British prisoners were being marched east. They were in full uniform except for their tin hats. These had been replaced by a variety of headgear, male or female: bowlers, hats, toppers, caps, hornbushes, women's bonnets, berets, plumage, Ascot models. A pathetically ridiculous spectacle.

Its only purpose could have been to make the weary men look down to the ground, to suggest to the French that British troops had been habituated to the shops. Other tales of discrimination between British and French prisoners of war are common. Nevertheless, on the whole, the treatment of prisoners whose care is left to the second-line troops is not too bad.

From other parts of occupied France come reports that the Germans are getting down to the question of the British subjects still in residence. At first they were left alone.

Now it is learned that the residents in the Bayonne-St. Jean de Luz districts are being gathered and put under some sort of surveillance. The first intention was to put them into a concentration camp, but finally the German authorities requisitioned an hotel and are now keeping them there under fairly reasonable conditions.

As yet southern France has not suffered from any great shortage of commodities. It is even suggested that the fate of British residents in German-occupied France is more pleasant than under the Vichy Government. French people may be indifferent, but the official is often hostile.

The virulent attacks, which the Gignore of Marseilles maintains daily against England, are certainly not entirely spontaneous. A similar loss is observed in most of the Press in unoccupied France. It may not have any great effect upon the feeling of admiration for British R.A.F. fighting qualities, the squadron as a whole believed implicitly in the Ger-

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



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Armoured Fighters

By C. G. GREY

During the intense battles of recent weeks our fighters have maintained their mastery of the air.

On some days the proportion of shot-down raiders to our fighters has not been so high as in the past. That may be because the Germans have become more wary and have learned how to dodge our men. Or it may be that they have fitted better armour behind their fighter pilots.

We are now approaching the period when we are not likely to get what is normally regarded as good bombing weather.

In the last war we knew pretty well that clear moonlight nights were good bombing weather, and that bad weather, either long hours of darkness, gales, rain, snow, heavy clouds or fog, meant that there would be no bombing. To-day, what with blind-flying instruments, directional wireless instruments, parachutes, floating jackets and rubber dinghies, air crews will take risks which they would not have taken even five or 10 years ago.

So far our bombers have not cared what the weather was. Last winter, when it was at its worst, the R.A.F. used to go up in low-lying, ice-forming fog in the dark and somehow plough through it on those bomb-leaving trips.

And recently, while there was a short spell of electrical storms, with hail and ice-forming clouds high up, the R.A.F. bombers went on with their jobs, apologetically bringing their bombs home once in a while because they could not find their allotted targets. (One would think that any good railway line was a legitimate military objective.)

But until lately the Germans have not shown any fondness for bombing in bad weather—which is curious, because there were no better bad-weather flyers than the Luft Hansa airline pilots before the war. The 10 o'clock night mail to London for Berlin without fail for years, hail, rain, snow or fog.

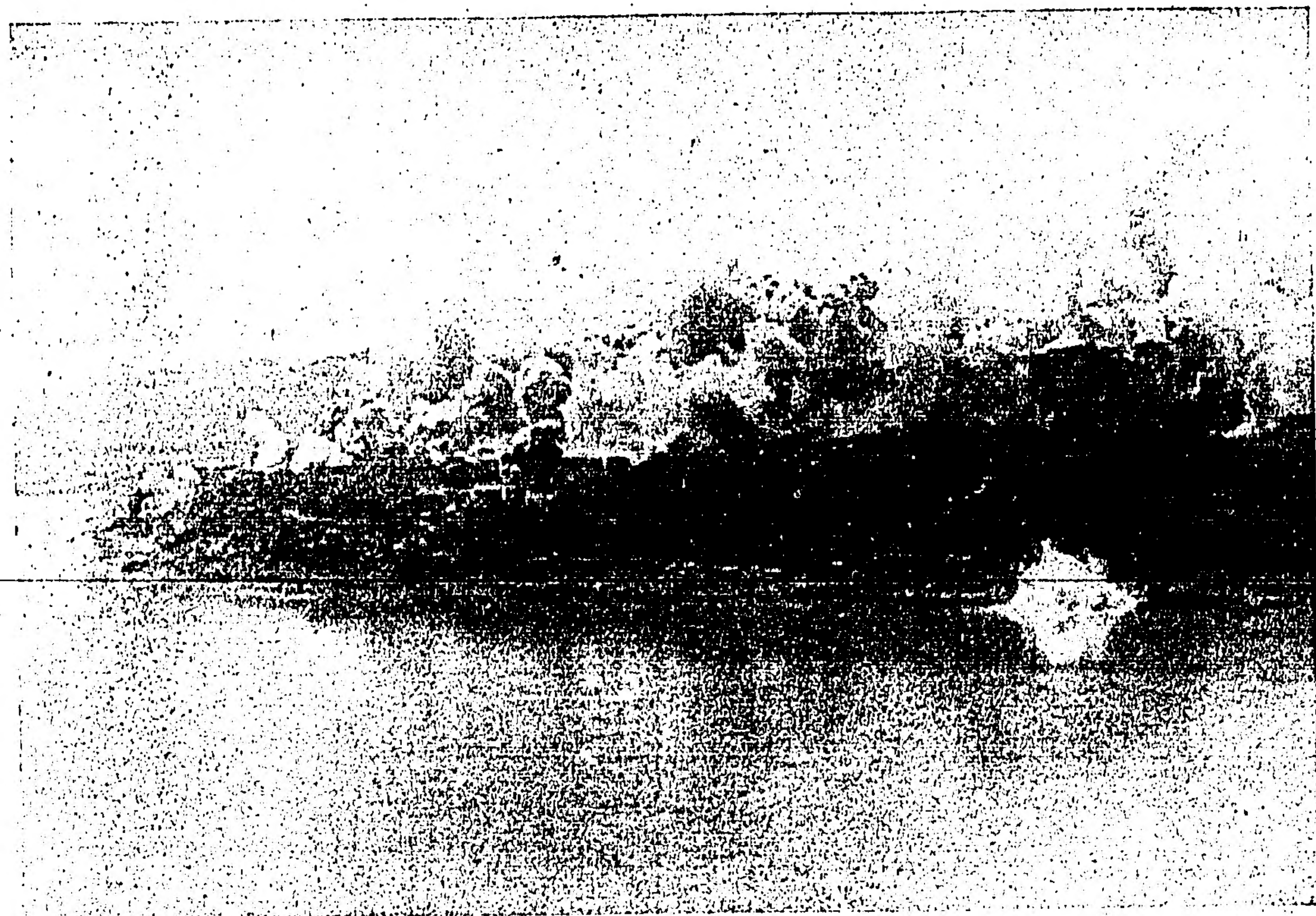
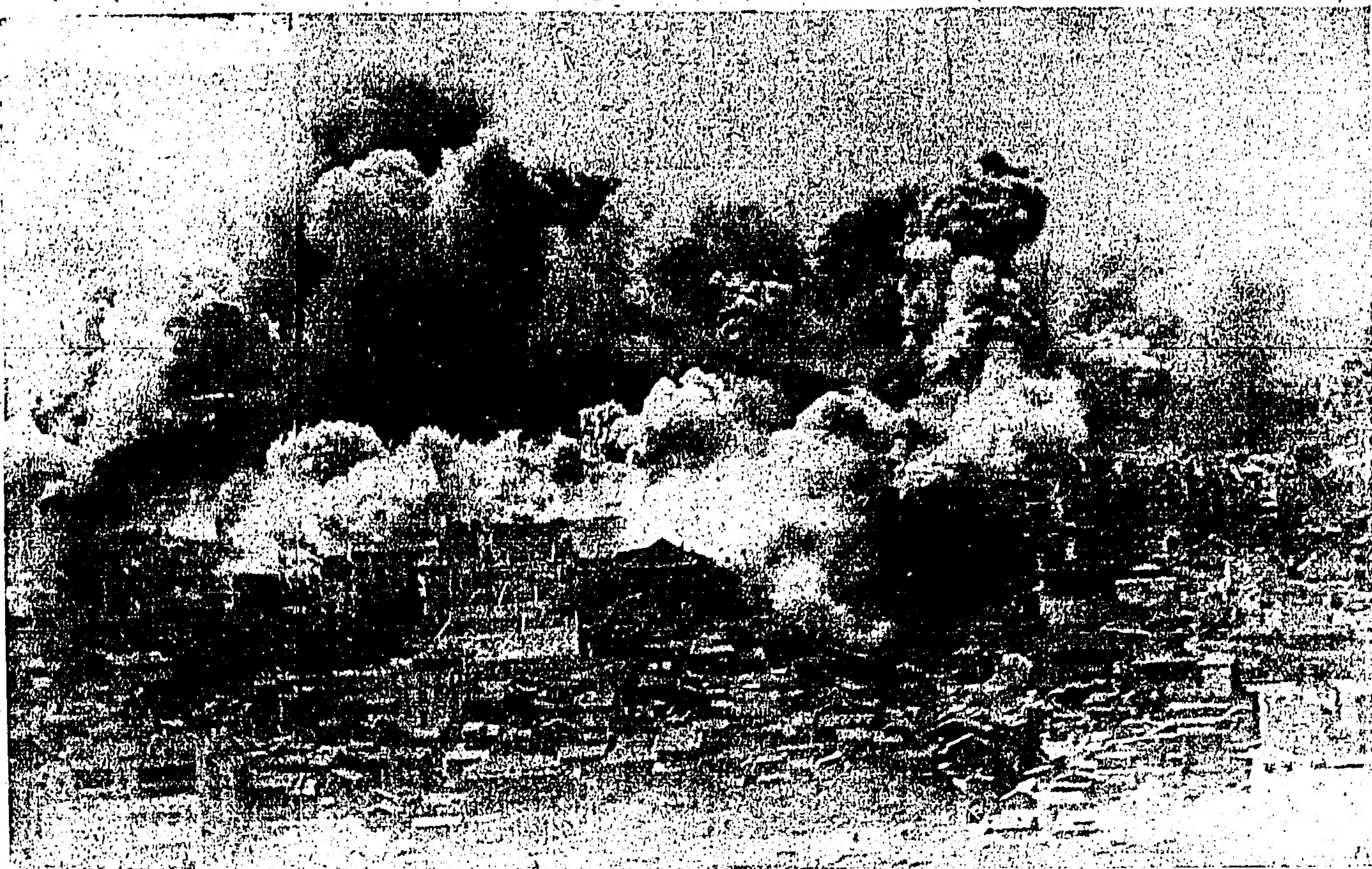
We have yet to see whether the enemy will give up all pretence of bombing war targets and will take to indiscriminate plastering of thickly-inhabited areas through heavy clouds and bad weather in the hope of creating panic among the populace. There is little chance of panic if the Government will be frank with the people and let them know what is happening—so far as it can be done without telling the enemy too much.

The finding of enemy bombers at night remains one of the great problems of our war.

Moonlight, while helping bombers to find their targets, may confuse the fighters, and it is probable that a bright starlight night without a moon gives the best chance of co-operation between searchlights, fighters and guns.

Sometimes, with luck, searchlights searching through fairly thin clouds may show up an enemy bomber in silhouette to fighters above. But if the clouds are thick the bombers may remain in and above the clouds and are difficult to find.

BOMBING OF CHUNGKING: VIVID PICTURES



Spain Will Probably Remain Out Of Fight
MADRID, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—That General Franco will not be disappointed in his known desire to keep Spain out of war remains the prevailing sentiment in well-informed quarters.

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—The Viceroy of India's war purpose fund, which is raised entirely from voluntary contributions, now totals £1,500,000.

Kennedy Stands By Roosevelt

New York, Oct. 30.
The American Ambassador to Britain, Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, in a broadcast to-day strongly supported President Roosevelt's candidacy and insisted that America must and will keep out of the war. He declared that oceans alone were inadequate barriers against the

GARBO TO BECOME AMERICAN CITIZEN

Hollywood, Oct. 29.
Greta Garbo, the screen star, has applied for her first American citizenship papers. She gave her age as 35.—United Press.

revolutionary forces threatening civilisation.

If they returned fast enough America would keep out of war, he said. There could be no more harmful step from the British viewpoint than an American declaration of war.

This Is What Direct Hits Look Like

If you have any doubt what an air raid on a congested area looks like, these accompanying pictures will provide the answer. These are probably among the most vivid pictures ever taken of raids on Chungking, the Chinese capital. They were secured at great risk to the photographer who was under direct fire at the time. The effect of dozens of incendiary bombs is shown in the billowing smoke; they all fell in closely congested residential areas right down to the river's edge, where, as can be seen in the picture opposite, they also landed in the water sending up huge fountains.

Commander Goes Down With Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 30 (UP).—The Admiralty announced that casualties on the French patrol vessel Chasseur 06 which was recently sunk included the Commanding Officer, Lieutenant W. B. G. Galbraith.

were scored by S. A. Fowler and D. Smith.

KHALSA ATTACK

KHALSA retaliated strongly in the closing minutes of the game, but could make no headway against a strong Club defence in which W. A. Reed, at centre half, played well as did N. Whitley at left half.

Thompson, playing the one-back game, gave a good account of himself. The combination among the forwards, S. A. Fowler, T. Whitley and E. Fowler, was a marked improvement on the previous week's performance.

The Khalsa attack was all at sea without G. Singh and Awar Singh, and although Pyara Singh made several attempts at breaking through he found the Club pivot too big an obstacle. The halves worked hard but here again Mohinder Singh was badly missed at left half.

The game was played at a fast pace but terminated earlier than usual owing to the black-out.

Club Defeat Weak Khalsa XI

Last Tuesday, Club, fielding only ten men, defeated a weak Khalsa team on their home ground at King's Park by 3-0.

In the early stages of the game the visitors, led by Pyara Singh, were dangerous when they broke away and gave the home defence some awkward moments, but Ben, well in goal rose to the occasion and saved brilliantly two "certainties" from the Indian leader.

Club in turn took up the attack, forcing three short corners in succession, B. Fowler finding the net in the third attempt. Club kept the lead when sides were changed.

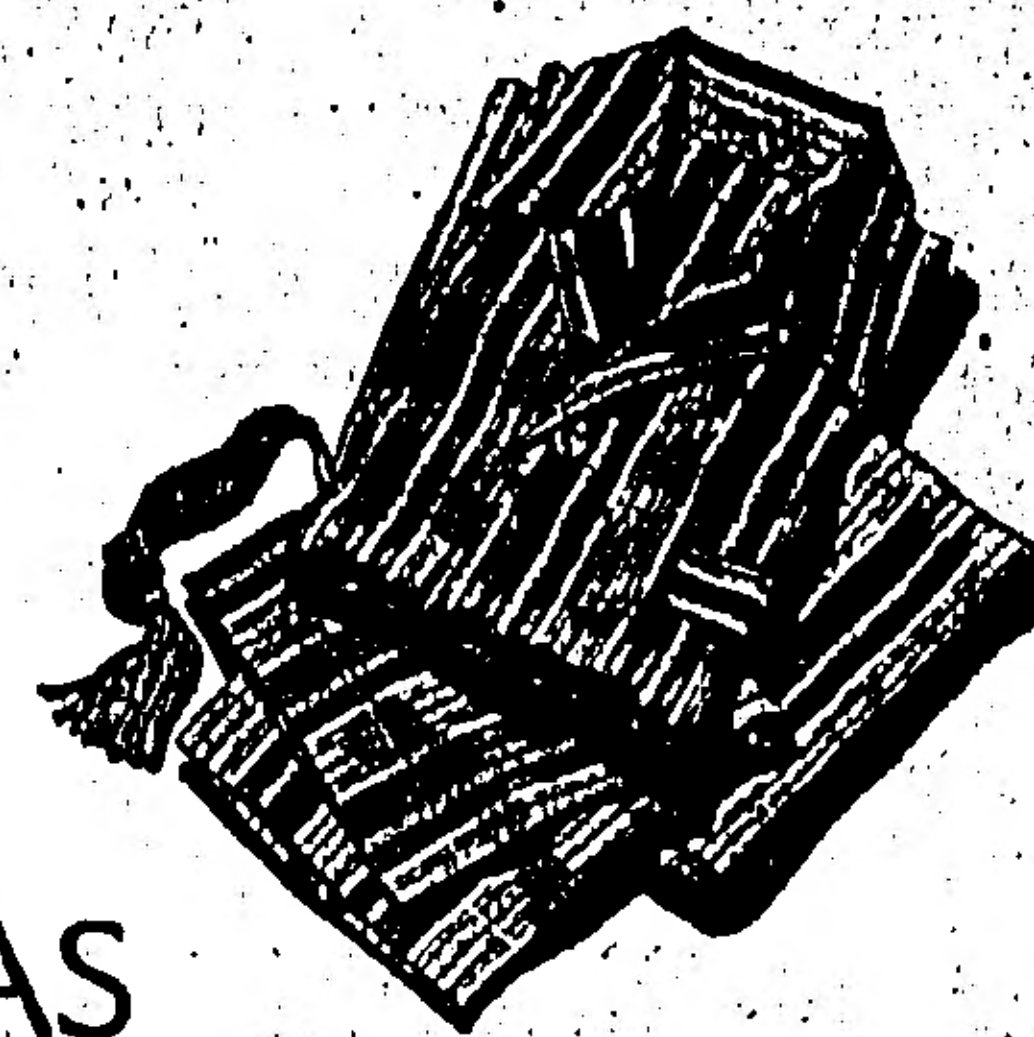
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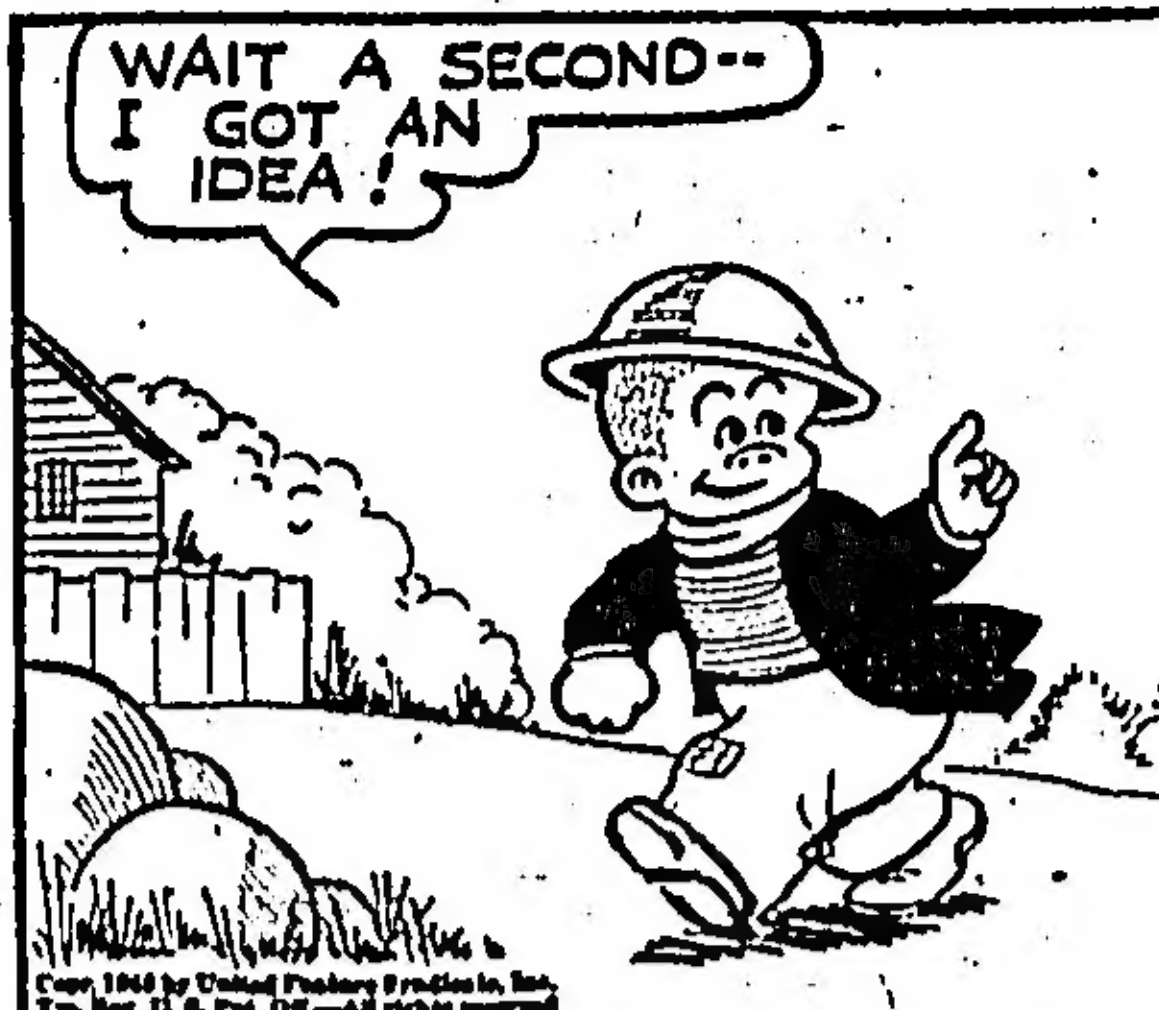
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CONCRETE AID FOR GREECE NEEDED

By SCOTT WATSON

UNITED PRESS STAFF
CORRESPONDENT
ATHENS, Oct. 30 (UP).—The most important question in Athens to-day is the whereabouts of the British fleet because foreign radio reports are very vague in this respect.

Morale here is hardening but public expressions clearly indicate that concrete British aid is very essential in order to check the inevitable fifth column rumour-carriers.

It is reported from Corfu that all foodstuffs are under military control. The islanders are constantly reminded of danger by seeing Italian warships convoy supplies into Santa Quaranta which is only five miles distant.

An Emergency Committee of art experts has been ordered to insure the safety of the Greek priceless treasure in the museums.

Greece Will Add Page

To History

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—"Greece will bear the ordeal that lie before it with patience and dignity, and with God's help the Greeks will add a new page to their history," declared the Greek Minister, M. Simopoulos speaking at a luncheon in London to-day.

M. Simopoulos said: "The time has come when we must fight for our independence and life. We know what these ideals are because they are ideals for which Greece has fought throughout the centuries, and we will be proud in fighting side by side with the British Empire for ultimate victory."

M. Simopoulos added that Greece has been the victim of a dastardly attack and premeditated aggression without any provocation whatsoever, and the attempt to find an excuse rendered the aggression more disgraceful.

German Boast

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Oct. 30 (UP).—The German press to-night boasted that Britain would not be able to aid Greece in a military sense to halt the Italian invasion as they claimed that the third day of the Balkan hostilities has passed without any definite news of British intervention.

Chinese Assail Nanning

East Front Fighting

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Continuing their triumphant march, Chinese troops have reached the outskirts of Nanning, capital of Kwangsi province, according to dispatches reaching Chinese quarters in London. An assault on the city itself is proceeding.

Chinese troops operating along the Nanning-Lungchow highway have scored successes. Lungchow, Mingkiang and Suifu have been recaptured. On the East China front, heavy fighting continues in the famous Shantung wine-producing centre in Chinkiang province, where the Japanese have been crushed and have suffered casualties.

Rehabilitation Starts

NANNING, Oct. 30 (Central News).—Following their re-entry into Nanning at 7 p.m. yesterday, the Chinese troops pursued the Japanese along the south bank of the Wat River.

Large quantities of abandoned military supplies were captured. Kaofeng, Tatung and other points on the Nanning-Wuming highway have been recaptured.

The Chinese re-entry into Nanning was jubilantly welcomed by civilians who lined the streets with flags in their hands, and cheered. General Huang Hui-chu, Chairman of the Kwangsi Provincial Government, yesterday evening called a meeting to discuss rehabilitation measures in Nanning.

Decree Nisi Granted

Mrs. Elsie S. Lee was granted a decree nisi by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in the Divorce Court this morning, when she brought a petition for the dissolution of her marriage to Mr. James Yat-ming Lee, The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almeida, Jnr., instructed by Mr. Geo. K. Hall Bratton, appeared for the petitioner. Respondent was not present, nor was he legally represented.

White Ant Case Judgment

For Defendant

Judgment with costs was given by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams in the Summary Court this morning to N. F. C. Lomborg, of the Mutual Trading Company, who was sued by Frank W. White, general broker, for \$300 which the latter claimed was due to him as commission for business introduced to Lomborg.

White stated in evidence that Lomborg promised him 25 per cent. commission for any business he could introduce. Plaintiff obtained three contracts to the value of \$1,200 for the defendant for the extermination of white ants.

Defendant denied there had been any agreement with White regarding commission.

In the course of his judgment, Mr. Justice Williams said the case was one in which he had to decide whose evidence to accept. Plaintiff's evidence had not been very clear, and on the whole of the evidence, his Lordship said that plaintiff's story was not one he could accept, accordingly he gave judgment for defendant with costs.

Mr. H. N. Chau, of Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. W. M. Brown, of Hastings and Co., for defendant.

No Taxi Dancers In Japan From To-day

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, Oct. 31 (Domei).—Public dance halls throughout Japan will play their swan song to-night ending their 12-year-old licensed career as recreation centres.

The taxi dancers who earned their living in these resorts have undergone training as typists and office and factory workers during the six-month "period of grace" allowed the dance halls to wind up.

BLACK-OUT TRAFFIC MISHAPS

Mr. G. R. Razavet, passenger in a taxi, was injured in the face when the taxi collided with a traffic island near the Post Office at 1.20 a.m. to-day. Lo Fat, the driver, reported to the Police that the car was slightly damaged.

Turning into Peking Road from Nathan Road during the black-out at 12.45 a.m. to-day, Lo Hung, driver of a taxi, collided with two Chinese pedestrians. They were knocked down but received no injuries and refused to go to hospital.

Slight damage was caused to a taxi at 1.30 a.m. to-day when it collided with a traffic island near Ice House Street. A report was made to the Police by the driver, Nam Kam-kong.

Black-Out Offences

For exhibiting lights in the Yau-mai typhoon shelter at 3 p.m. during the black-out exercise yesterday, seven boatmen were fined \$5 or five days' imprisonment each by Cmdr. J. Jolly in the Marine Court to-day.

Patient Found Hanging

Dies In Hospital

Ng Ah-mui, 20, a patient at the French Hospital, was found hung with his own girdle on a clothes line at the back of the hospital at two o'clock this morning.

Ng was admitted on Tuesday suffering from malaria. He was seen to leave his bed shortly before the incident, when it was assumed that he was going out to experience the black-out.

The matter is being investigated by Det. Sgt. J. Bentley.



FIRST CLASS TIP

"Might I enquire, Sir, whether you have recently visited Spitzbergen or Baffin Island?"

"Of course I haven't."

"Then no doubt you are interested in some commercial form of refrigeration—chilled beef, for instance?"

"Nothing to do with it."

"In that case, Sir, you will have no objection to closing that window. It is exceedingly cold, and the draught is ferocious."

"I beg your pardon, Sir. I'm terribly sorry. Fact is, I've a most appalling headache, and the cool air does it good. I attended a most enjoyable party last night, and I'm feeling much the worse for it."

"My dear fellow, why didn't you say so at first? Trouble is, it's so long

since I've had a hangover myself. I've almost forgotten the symptoms. Was there no Rose's Lime Juice in your corner of the Shires?"

"Afraid I don't follow you."

"Rose's Lime Juice, I said. Cancels hangovers in advance. You either mix it with gin, or swallow a stiff glass solo before bed. Why, man, it's smoothed the paths of thousands."

"You're telling me that Rose's fills this long-felt want?"

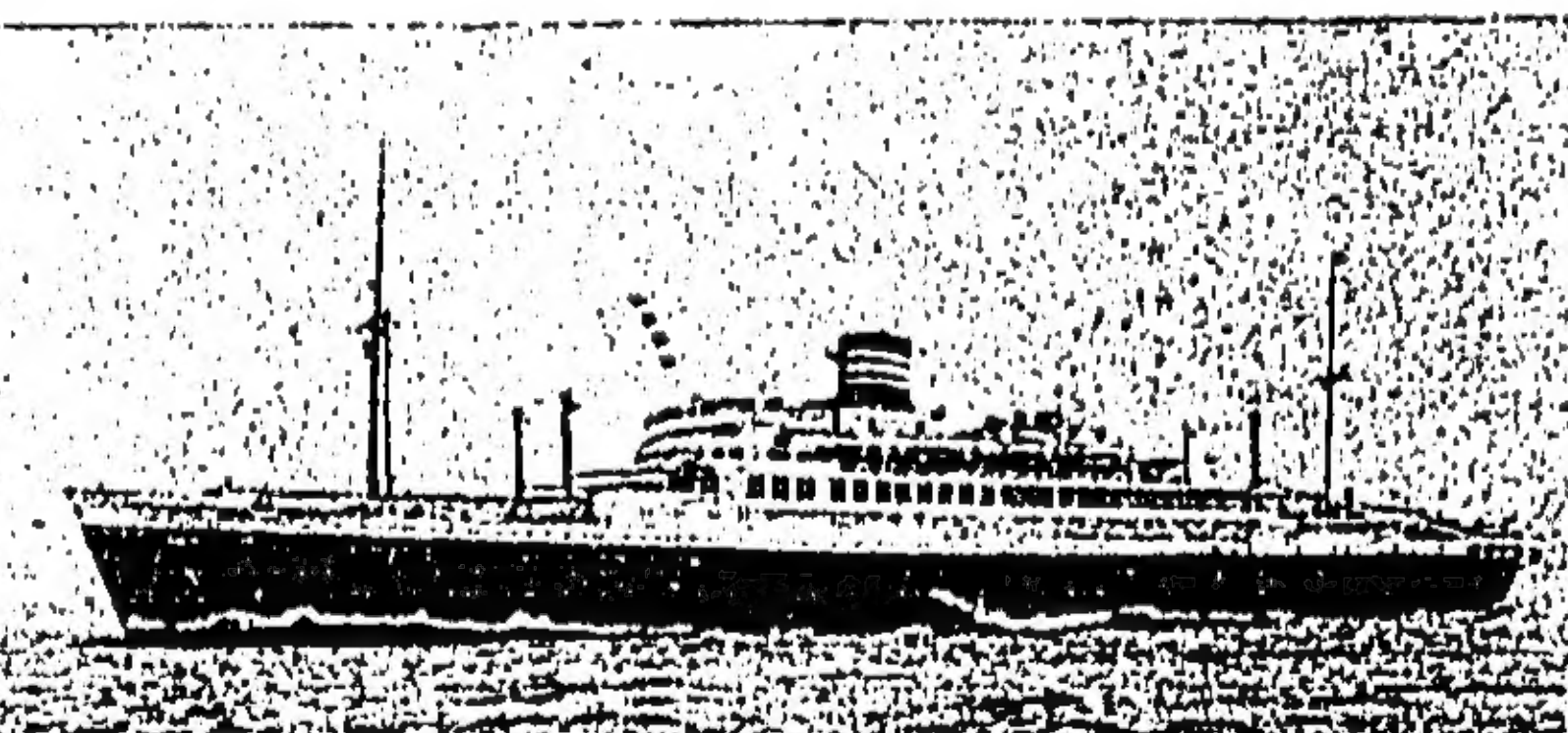
"I've never known it fail."

"Then, Sir, I am deeply indebted to you. Here is my card. I trust that we shall see more of each other. Much more. Are you by any chance free to dine tonight? Wonderful how these chance encounters change the course of one's whole life."

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NAZIS GNAW AT VITALS OF DEFEATED FRENCH

LONDON, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—How France has suffered under German occupation is revealed in a statement by the Ministry of Economic Warfare which says that at least 800,000 tons of wheat have been removed to Germany from Occupied France.

Bread is now rationed in France at 87 ounces per week. Meat is rationed at 12½ ounces per week in France but in Germany it is 17 to 20 ounces.

More than 1,000,000 pigs are believed to have been removed from France to Germany during one fortnight in September alone. One thousand cattle were also removed.

The average consumption of butter and oil per head in France before was 17 kilos but now it is reduced to five to six kilos.

Sugar Beet Lost

About 80 per cent. of the French sugar beet crop has been lost owing to the fighting in North France. French wines have been requisitioned by the Germans and one French firm alone has delivered 12,000,000 bottles of champagne to Germany.

Transport has largely broken down in France because trucks and locomotives have been taken to Germany, and lorry transport is at a standstill owing to the shortage of petrol.

Heavy Fighting On The Greek Frontier

FROM PAGE ONE

activities restricted to local contacts. In the course of yesterday the enemy employed powerful forces of light and heavy artillery. Our movements were carried out in accordance with previously agreed plans. The situation in western Macedonia is unchanged. Activity by enemy aircraft is very slight.

Frontier Guns Bark

BELGRADE, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Cannonading was clearly heard to-day near Lake Prespa at the junction of the Greek-Albanian-Yugoslav frontiers.

Heavy Italian concentrations are reported at Voreen.

The attack is believed to be directed towards Florina where mountains and bad weather are unfavourable for operations.

Athens Raid Alarm

ATHENS, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—An air raid alarm, lasting half an hour, was sounded at 4.20 p.m.

There was no gunfire.

When the warning was sounded in Athens to-day, the public reached shelter quickly than on occasion of the former alarms, having been impressed by the casualties at Patras which were largely caused by sight-seers remaining in the streets.

It is now learned authoritatively that 100 were killed and 200 wounded at Patras.

Greeks Join Up

BELGRADE, Oct. 30 (Reuter).—Observers on the frontier state that fields on the Greek side are deserted as the result of the departure of all able-bodied men to join their units.

All these men, it is added, departed with a song on their lips.

All railway traffic across the frontier has been suspended pending mobilisation.

Hitler's Revenge: Imposes War Guilt

FROM PAGE ONE

Marshal emphasised that he went to the meeting of his own free will and had "entered the road of collaboration" without pressure.

The interview was only possible through the French people's dignity in the face of their ordeal and their enormous efforts towards regeneration, he continued.

"France has talked. This meeting between the victor and the vanquished signified the first vindication of our country. I have been under no delude by Hitler.

"The collaboration of our two countries was considered. I accepted the principles of it and the application will be discussed later."

As an admonition to all who are inclined to deviate from our opinions and those who doubt and harden their hearts, the Marshal said that the first duty of Frenchmen is to trust.

What Future Holds

"In the near future our country's suffering may thus be lightened, our prisoners' lot improved, the burden of occupation expenses lessened, the demarcation line may be rendered more flexible and the administration and provisioning of territory facilitated."

"This collaboration must be sincere and without thought of aggression. France has numerous obligations to the victor but she remains sovereign. The Ministers are responsible to me alone."

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